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MIDNIGHT FIRING DIES DOWN.

GENERAL ENGAGEMENT BELIEF UNFOUNDED.

ATTEMPT TO STAMP OUT SNIPERS.

Shanghai, Feb. 1.
ALTHOUGH THE INTENSITY of the firing justified the assumption, the report that real battle had renewed has been proved, by subsequent events, to be a false alarm.
The firing began to die down within fifteen minutes of its commencement, and it appears that the activity was not due to a severe engagement, but to a brief determined effort by the Japanese machine-gunners to put the numerous snipers out of action.—*Reuter*.

WAR DECLARATION REPORT DENIED.

Nanking, Feb. 1.
An emphatic denial of the report that the Nanking Government has decided to declare war against Japan is made by a Government spokesman, who reiterates that the Chinese Government is respecting the anti-war pacts and the decision of the League of Nations to settle the problem by peaceful methods.
But, he said, if the Japanese continue their acts of aggression, the Government is determined to make a supreme sacrifice and will offer the strongest resistance.

General Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Wang Ching-wei and Mr. Lin Sen, passed through Hsuehchow yesterday. They will confer at Lo-yang with Chang Hsueh-liang regarding the despatch of Manchuria troops to the South. Marshal Feng Yuxiang has arrived at Shanghai to join in the direction of military operations against the Japanese.
Chiang Kai-shek has established his military headquarters on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway and large contingents of Nanking troops are making war preparations there. Long distance telephone communication with Nanking is being installed by the soldiers.—*Reuter*.

ARGYLLS UNDER ORDERS.

ENTIRE BATTALION EMBARKING ON H. M. S. BERWICK.

An official statement from the Military Headquarters this morning declared that about 800 of the Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders Battalion will leave for Shanghai on H. M. S. Berwick this afternoon. The cruiser is expected to leave shortly after noon.
This is the only definite troop movement so far, although it is possible that a light battery of artillery may follow.

CRACK TROOPS IN NANKING.

JAPANESE CONSUL'S ASSURANCE.

Nanking, Jan. 31.
Thirty thousand men of the famous National Guards are arriving from Honan to-night.
They are said to be the finest troops in China, specially trained as Chiang Kai-shek's crack division, and equipped with smart green uniforms and German automatic rifles.
It is learned that they are to be stationed in Nanking, their special duty being to defend the city from possible attack from the Japanese warships in Nanking.
Japanese Request.
The Japanese Consul-General



Chinese gendarmes guarding one of the sandbag barricades erected in the vicinity of Chapel.

together with two gunboats, will shortly be reinforced by the arrival of H.M.S. Kent from Batavia. H.M.S. Suffolk from Hongkong was due to arrive yesterday.

SHANGHAI MEETING.

"At a meeting held at Shanghai, which was presided over by the British Consul-General, Mr. Brennan, and at which the American Consul-General was also present, together with the Japanese and Chinese Commanders, it was proposed to establish a neutral zone between the Chinese and Japanese troops to be occupied by troops of the neutral Powers which have forces in the International Settlement.
The British Consul-General has now been informed that the necessary arrangements should be made for British troops to co-operate if the neutral zone can be established, and the United States Government is being asked to take similar action.
The British Government are also urging the Japanese and Chinese Governments to accept the scheme for a neutral zone and to issue immediate instructions to their troops accordingly."
—*British Wireless*.

CHINESE EXPECT BATTLE.

Shanghai, Feb. 1.
Chinese sources state that the next few days may see a grim struggle between the Chinese and Japanese. Chiang Kai-shek's picked regiments are pouring down from Honan, Hupoh and Anhui. It is almost certain that Manchurian troops will be sent to Shanghai.—*Reuter*.

LATEST U.S. NOTE OF PROTEST.

Washington, Jan. 31.
The Shanghai situation is causing the utmost concern to the White House.
President Hoover today summoned the highest officials of the State Department and the Navy Department for a conference today, and it is believed that a definite line of action was decided upon.
United States Army regular forces have been ordered to Shanghai and President Hoover is expected to make a statement shortly regarding the decision to despatch them.
Latest Note.
Meanwhile, the United States Government has sent another Note of protest to Japan, based upon the broad principle of the violation of international rights through the Japanese invasion of Shanghai.
It is assumed in Washington, that the British Government will take similar action.—*Reuter*.

MOVEMENTS OF DIPLOMATS.

MR. SHIGEMITSU IN SHANGHAI.

Peking, Jan. 31.
Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister to China, who was



A moment of leisure for British troops on guard at a barricade.

PLANES LEAVE FOR NANNING.

SCHOOL FOR TRAINING AIRMEN.

Wuchow, Jan. 29.
A large, 500-horse-power bomber and a red biplane left Wuchow early this afternoon for Nanning, the capital city of Kwangsi.
These two planes, together with another, which now stands in its hanger at Wuchow, were purchased by the Kwangsi authorities for use in this province. The planes were piloted on their trip up the West River to Nanning by foreign navigators. It is said that a training school for aviators will be established at Nanning, and later at Kweilin and Wuchow.
The entry of this province into the field of aeronautics is being watched with keen interest by all those who are interested in the new venture.
During the presence of the planes, and particularly while the pilots were giving instructions, the Wuchow airfield was a scene of great activity, as crowds of spectators crossed the West River to see Kwangsi's latest acquisition.
—*Our Own Correspondent*.

INGENIOUS BLANKET THEFT.

BOARDING HOUSE LOSS.

An ingenious theft was detailed by Inspector Shustain when prosecuting a Chinese before Mr. E. I. Wynne-Jones at the Central Police Court this morning on a charge of stealing a blanket, valued at \$30, from the Sun Tung Boarding House of Connaught Road, Central.
The police officer said that the defendant went to the boarding house to engage a room for which he was asked \$2.50 per day. He realised that he had just arrived from Canton and had nothing but Chinese money in his possession. The defendant had two baskets which bore red labels and other indications that the owner was a traveller. The room was reserved on the defendant remarking that he would change his money and pay the boarding house later.
After being shown to the room, the defendant went out, taking with him one of his baskets, but no sooner had he left the premises than one of the foks discovered that a blanket was missing from the room. The defendant was stopped a short distance from the boarding house, and the blanket was found in the basket.
When searched at the Police Station, the defendant had 35 cents on him, but no Canton money whatever.
The defendant was given six weeks hard labour.

DOLLAR RISES A FARTHING.

MARKET NOT VERY STRONG.

The Hongkong dollar advanced a farthing this morning, the demand rate being 1s. 5 1/16d. There is, however, very little actual business, and silver at the moment does not appear very strong.
The Shanghai market is nominal. Silver rose 3.10ths in London for spot and forward, the Continent being small buyers. There were small offerings, and the market was quiet.
The New York market is unchanged.

HEAVY JAPANESE CASUALTIES.

LORRIES LOADED WITH SOLDIERS UNDER DIRECT SHELL-FIRE.

SPORADIC FIGHTING ON ALL NIGHT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Shanghai, Feb. 1, 10.06 a.m.
FOUR LORRY-LOADS of Japanese soldiers were annihilated yesterday, according to information derived from dependable channels.

The lorries, carrying reinforcements and reliefs for marines who have been constantly in action in the vicinity of the Shanghai North Station for more than twenty-four hours, were fired upon at point blank range by a Chinese battery, and very few of the occupants escaped alive.

The Japanese are continuing their drive in Hongkew against snipers, who have been doing effective work. Japanese marines, according to reliable reports, yesterday executed 150 Chinese snipers who were taken prisoners during the previous day.

The Astor House Hotel, belonging to the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, was the scene of sniping last night.

Firing went on all through the night in Hongkew. In the course of the Japanese operations against the snipers, machine-guns were kept trained on the central district.

Artillery fire was exchanged across the Chapei border-line by both forces during the night.

AMERICAN YOUTH "ARRESTED".

K. Johnson, an American youth, residing at No. 2, Scott Road, near the Hongkew Rifle Range and the Thomas Hanbury School for Boys, was reported to have been arrested by the Japanese yesterday. The American Consul-General lodged a protest. The Japanese claim that Johnson was not arrested but charge that he did a little private sniping from his home which the Japanese raided.

All thoroughfares in the International Settlement to-day are alive with frightened people carrying their personal chattels.

The curfew order will be effective from ten p.m. until 4 a.m. to-night.

Mr. Cunningham, the American Consul-General, has cabled to Washington asking the Government to provide additional American forces.

POLICE RESERVE.

THE NEW SOCCER BALL.

EXPERIMENTS BY ENGLISH MAKERS.

Interest has been excited by an announcement of a new seamless football which is already in use on the Continent. Another attractive feature of the ball is that it has no lace and that it is inflated by means of a small valve which is sunk beneath the level of the outer leather cover.
British manufacturers have seized on the idea, and do not anticipate any difficulty in producing a seamless ball.
Balls of the same kind are to be made at once for experimental purposes.
One of the most important tests will be in regard to flight. From experience with a golf ball it is very doubtful how a smooth, plain-surfaced football will behave in the air. Indeed to give a true flight a golf ball has to have a special marking which may be gripped by the air.

Training Course—Part 11.—Constables E31 Chak Ho Ka and E32 Yeung Po Kua have been passed out as efficient in Part 11 of Training Course (Knowledge of Police Duties and Regulations). There will be no Part 11 of Training Course on Tuesday, February 2nd.

Defence Class.—There will be no defence class on Wednesday, February 3rd.

Training Course—Part 1.—There will be no Part 1 of Training Course on Thursday, February 4th.

N. C. O. Class.—There will be no N. C. O. class on Friday, February 5th.

Flying Squad.
Strength.—Constable E354 Leo Chankee has been taken on the strength of the Flying Squad, and posted to the Hongkong Section, as from January 20th 1932.

All members to report for duty as already ordered.

Reserve Emergency.
Members will report in accordance with orders already issued.

Defence Class.—There will be no defence class on Thursday, February 4th.

Whitely drying clothes at 87 Hennessy Road, at 18-year-old man fell from the first floor, 18th Jan. He was rescued by a fireman, and taken to hospital. He was injured in the head and chest, and was in a serious condition.

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KOWLOON WEDDING.
MISS BOOTH MARRIED TO
CAPT. BURKE.

A pretty wedding took place at the Rosary Church, Kowloon, on Saturday afternoon, when Miss Edith Mabel Booth, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. J. Booth, was married to Captain Maurice Rickard Burke, R.A.M.C., the officiating minister being the Rev. Father J. J. O'Brien.

Miss Booth is a member of the 1st Hongkong Ranger Company and was also a member of the Central British Association, being a very keen and efficient hockey player in local hockey, figuring in the Caer Clark hockey competition. She made a charming picture in a dress of white silk lace over white satin with a tulle veil embroidered with "lovers' knots and orange blossoms." A shower bouquet of white roses, tied with the bridegroom's Regimental Colours, completed the ensemble.

The bride entered the Church on the arm of her father, who gave her away. The bridesmaids were the Misses Olive and Sybil Dalzell who were prettily attired in dresses of pale pink lace and net with satin coats to match, with silver kid hats and shoes and silver laced caps. Instead of bouquets they carried to match their frocks. Miss Joan Booth, the bride's sister, was Flower Girl, wearing a frock of pale pink georgette with silver kid shoes. She carried a Victorian posy of sweet peas, tied with the R.A.S.C. Regimental Colours.

The bride's mother was attired in a wine-coloured dress with a crope-de-chine coat to match trimmed with black fur. She wore a velour hat to match.

Mr. F. E. Skinner was "best man." Following the service a reception was held at the Peninsula Hotel, where the happy couple were the recipients of the felicitations of their many friends. The bride cut the wedding cake with her husband's sword, and the usual toasts were honoured.

Among those present were: Colonel C. D. Myles, O.B.E., R.A.M.C., and Mrs. Myles, Colonel A. H. Kinnaird Watson, R.A.S.C., and Mrs. Watson, Lieut. Colonel N. C. Bennett, O.B.E., M.C., 2nd Battalion Argyll and Sutherland Highlanders, and Mrs. Bennett. The honeymoon is being spent at Canton and Macao prior to travelling to England later.

The bride's going-away dress was a blue and white ensemble, trimmed with white fur, with a velour hat to match.

Chinese Wedding.
At Union Church, Kennedy Road, the wedding took place on Saturday of Mr. Li Shu-fong, No. 2, Tramway Path, sub-accountant of the Bank of Canton, to Miss Flora Wan, fourth sister of Dr. C. H. Wan, Vice-President of the Medical Society of Hongkong University, and Vice-President of the National Medical Association of China.

Dr. S. P. Li was "best man." The service was conducted by the Rev. E. G. Powell. A reception was held on the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel, and later in the evening a Chinese banquet was held at the Kwang Chow and Nam Tong restaurants, when many hundreds of guests were present.

The honeymoon is being spent in North China.

INDIAN UNREST.

POLICE FIRE ON CROWD OF DEMONSTRATORS.

Bombay, Jan. 30.
The Police fired on a crowd of Congress demonstrators in the Bhuleswar district here to-day, injuring twelve.

Twelve rounds of shots and four rounds of rifle shots were fired.

The total casualties in the disorders here, including those in lathi charges made by the Police, is 160.—Reuters Special Service.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH ACTIVITIES.

THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD YESTERDAY.

The activities of St. Peter's Church during the year 1931 were reviewed by the Hon. Sec., Mr. A. C. Braine-Hartnell, at the annual meeting, which was held at No. 7 Police Station yesterday, after morning service, under the Chairmanship of the Dean, Very Rev. A. Swann. It was indicated that hopes of a new St. Peter's Church were not as good as they were formerly, but it was explained that the whole position was to be discussed within the next few weeks.

New Church Scheme.

The Honorary Secretary (Mr. A. C. Braine-Hartnell) presented the following report for the year:—A few weeks ago, on January 11, St. Peter's Church celebrated her 60th birthday. Although, at such a time we naturally wish to be complimentary, I think we cannot truthfully say that she is as young and healthy as ever she was, but we may congratulate her on being still vigorous, and who knows but what she may yet surprise us by a new lease of life? At least we hope that she will be spared for some time to come.

New Church Scheme.

Last year I spoke with restrained optimism concerning the plans for a new St. Peter's Church. By now I am afraid that the idea of a new Church has receded even further into the future or into the past. I am not sure which. The whole position of St. Peter's Church is to be discussed within the next few weeks or so by St. Peter's sub-council and representatives of the Cathedral.

As you will learn from the Honorary Treasurer's report and from the Honorary Duplex Treasurer's report, which I incorporate in my report, the financial position of the Church is satisfactory, and the Duplex System has once more amply proved itself.

Less Attendance.

The attendance at St. Peter's has not been quite so good as last year, especially at the early communion services. The Saints Day celebrations were given up at the beginning of the year because no use was made of them, despite the trial of various hours.

The Electoral Roll has increased to 60.

Our thanks are due to those who have helped in the conduct of St. Peter's services during the year: The Bishop, who kindly came to preach in June, the Rev. N. Evans, the Rev. F. Freeman, R. N. the Rev. N. V. Halvard, the Rev. J. H. Pratt of Fokien, the Rev. C. B. Shann, the Rev. A. D. Stewart and Dr. A. J. Watson, of Yunnan.

Farewell to Bishop.

We have to bid farewell to our Bishop, who goes home to England in April. It is needless to say with what regret we will lose him and Mrs. Duppuy. We wish them both all happiness at Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. Shann, both of whom have done much for St. Peter's, went home to England at the beginning of January. We wish them a happy time in England and sincerely hope that they will return.

Our valued friend and organist, Mrs. Griggs, went home in the Spring. Her place was taken in April by Mr. Woolley, of the University, whom we applaud for his gift of music and thank for his regular attendance. The choir has now eight members whom we thank for their work during the year. We are glad, by the way, to see Mrs. Griggs among us again. She is still our friend though no longer our organist.

Happy Valley Services.

Mr. Watkins, with commendable initiative, started Sunday evening services at the Happy Valley Cemetery Chapel this autumn. These services are evidently appreciated by the Happy Valley residents.

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From all accounts he has made the Cemetery Chapel into a cosy little Church. For this purpose he borrowed some pews and other furniture from St. Peter's. St. Peter's has also given \$95 to the Happy Valley Church to defray the cost of installing a new electric lighting system. The \$95 was part of the \$150 so generously given by Mrs. Griggs to cover the cost of advertising St. Peter's services. As the services are now advertised free of charge in the South China Morning Post, Mrs. Griggs approved of a part of the money remaining being put to this use, and the balance being placed to general funds.

Speaking of Mr. Watkins' initiative in starting the services at Happy Valley, we might notice how much he undertakes in addition to his work as priest-in-charge of St. Peter's. He is Secretary to the Diocesan Conference, Secretary to the local committee of the World Evangelical Alliance, and Padre to the Tse H group recently established in Hongkong. Besides this, he visits the hospitals and gaol and has other activities too.

China Exhibition.

There was no garden fete this year, because of that larger undertaking, the China Exhibition, for which our Mr. Hill, as the Secretary, and our Miss Mow Fung, as caterer, did energetic and valuable work. Of the proceeds of the China Exhibition we have been granted the \$600 that we might have expected to clear from a garden fete.

During the year St. Peter's became a co-operate member of the

local branch of the League of Nations.

St. Peter's now contribute to the monthly bulletin published by the Anglican Churches of the Colony. Before giving the reports of the Societies connected with St. Peter's, I wish, on behalf of the congregation, to thank the Dean for coming here to act as our Chairman, and for preaching to us this morning. Inspector McWalter for lending us this room, and for many acts of kindness during the year, and those of the congregation who have come to this meeting.

Finally, I wish to welcome Mr. John Pau, of the University, as a new member of the sub-council and as Honorary Secretary in my place. The budget for 1932, which was presented by Mr. H. A. Allen, shows an estimated expenditure of \$2,477.

Reports and Elections.

The following reports were adopted. V.D.M.A. and Sunday School (Mrs. Booker), Guild of Martha and Mary (Miss Kerr) and the Servers' Guild (Mr. Hill).

The following were elected to St. Peter's sub-council in addition to the four elected at the Cathedral annual meeting: Miss R. Mow Fung, Mrs. G.W.R. Griggs, Mrs. Booker and Mr. E. S. Cunningham.

Mrs. Booker, Miss Mow Fung, Mr. R. A. Hill and Mr. J. Pau were elected as representatives to the Diocesan Conference.

Sidesmen elected were Dr. E. Sun, Lieut. C. Christian, Mr. H.A. Allen and Mr. W. Allen.

The meeting closed with a vote of thanks to the Honorary Secretary.

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Youthful "Blackshirts" drummed on Mahatma Gandhi's interest in Fascism, as is shown by this picture, taken during the Indian leader's visit to Rome.



"Battered but not shattered," was Mr. Winston Churchill's description of himself when, as pictured here, the British statesman left a New York hospital to return to his hotel.



Mr. George Boyd is shown at the White House delivering the debt moratorium measure for the President's signature after the Senate had ratified it.

Gems of Peril

CHAPTER XLIV

HAZEL
ROSS HALEY

J. J. Jupiter was the first man on deck. Although it was past his usual early retiring hour, he was still dressed. He was there when Captain Hendricks came hurrying down from the bridge, and together the two men rushed to the port rail. Bates and Mary followed.

"What's the matter, captain?" Bates inquired somewhat nervously. He had a hankering for a little bit of excitement, and even Mary felt a childlike impulse to rush to the captain and cling to his hand until the danger was over.

"We're fast on a reef," Captain Hendricks was explaining to Mr. Jupiter. "She's apparently not hurt—the engineers say she's making no water below—but she seems to be well stuck."

"Can you get off by yourself?" Mr. Jupiter asked.

"We'll have a try at it tomorrow morning. I'm afraid we'll have to have a tug out of Key West to give us a pull."

"Do what you think, best," Mr. Jupiter answered mildly.

"I shouldn't have come in to-night," the captain continued, "but the moon made it almost like day, and I've been around here so much I thought I could make it even in a fog. This channel isn't used except for small fishing craft, and apparently some of the buoys have drifted over. See that mid-channel buoy there?"

"It pointed to what looked like an upturned funnel to Mary. It was floating almost in the shadow the ship cast on the water."

"Mid-channel buoy, and it's sticking right up on top of a reef with only about five feet of water over it! Fortunately we were coming in slow, just barely turning over."

"Where are we?" Bates asked.

"Just a half mile from the old pier at Fort Jefferson where I intended to make fast. In another five minutes we'd have been there. That's Dry Tortugas there a couple of miles off the starboard beam."

"They turned to look, and the ray of the big lamp in its white tower swept across their faces and off into the moonlit night."

"I'm going fishing in the morning then," Mr. Jupiter said cheerfully. "How about it, Bates?"

"Fine."

"We'd better be getting a little sleep. Ought to be out by six anyway. They bite better early in the morning. Everybody back to bed now. There's nothing we can do to help, and we'd only be in the way."

The day that followed was one of utterable tedium for those left behind while the fishing party cruised happily about. Mary sat in a deck chair, a book in her lap, watching the unexcited labors of the distant fishermen through a telescope loaned her by the captain. It was not very entertaining but it was better than nothing.

The burning sun drove Bruce and Louise downstairs, where they played interminable games of solitaire. De Loma prowled the ship like a caged animal. He had run out of cigarettes long since, and his nerves were all a-jangle. He roved from one end of the ship to the

other, leaning on the rail and studying the prospect in every direction. They were all very much the same, which must have been discouraging.

He avoided the landward side, Mary observed, but whether this was due to her presence there, or to the view, which consisted of a mass of out of which old Fort Jefferson prison reared its ugly head, she did not know.

Presently, to give him the range of the boat, and also because his restlessness had begun to get on her nerves, she resolved to go below and take a nap. She met a steward with a tray, headed for Dirk's stateroom, and stopped him. She rearranged it a bit to make it more inviting. Then she had the steward wait while she wrote a note. It was only three words.

Mary pulled a book from the rack on one side of the salon and sent that along, too. She promised herself that she would drop in and see Dirk after he had lunch.

Once she heard an altercation out on deck, De Loma was berating a steward because he had locked up the liquor cabinet, at Mr. Jupiter's order, as it turned out. Mary dismissed it from her mind, until a violent knocking at her door forced her to take notice of it.

De Loma was in a towering, white-hot rage.

"What's this all about?" he snarled. "Am I a guest on this damn fishing-smack or am I not? Why can't I get service from these damned waiters you got for waiters on this tub? I want a drink, and I want it now, do you hear? Tell this cub to toss out that key! What does he think I am, a baby?"

"Take your troubles to Captain Hendricks. He's in command," Mary replied.

"Yes? Well, there's something else I want to know—why doesn't that radio operator send my messages?"

"Doesn't he?"

"No. If he did, I'd have had answers before now. What's happening to my trunks? Damn it, if that hotel seizes them, I'll hold you responsible!"

Mary smiled shakily.

"You fluster me. As I said before Captain Hendricks is the man to see."

"That —"

From his choice of expletives it was apparent that Captain Hendricks had already been seen, and added his refusal to that of his subordinates. De Loma was appealing to Mary as a last resort.

He was almost beside himself, and his bravado was fast crumbling. Mary shut the door and an instant later she heard the captain's low, steady voice.

"We've a sick man in that cabin down there, De Loma. I suggest you lower your voice. Better still, stay up on deck. What were you bothering Miss Harkness about? Miss Harkness is not to be annoyed!"

De Loma obeyed without a word. There was something about the sturdy figure of the captain that

was impressive particularly to a man whose courage was not of the physical sort. Mary, listening to the encounter between the two with a loudly beating heart, opened her door a trifle when De Loma had gone. Captain Hendricks was still standing there.

"Keep your door locked," he said very low. "The steward just surprised him trying Mr. Jupiter's door. That's what he's so hot and bothered about. Though I reckon he'd like to have a drink, at that. Good thing Jupiter got the only boat—I think he'd try to row to shore."

"Are we off the reef yet?" she asked hopefully.

All morning the crew had worked at the job of dislodging the stranded "Gypsy," first dropping an anchor off the bow and trying to pull her forward with a winch and then repeating the performance off the stern. But the lovely white-and-gold yacht was firmly seated upon a rock, and there she remained, as alluring a sight as Circe of old to the tired and grubby fishermen now plying toward her.

"No luck. We're here till we can get a tug to pull us off." The captain shook his head. "He'll be bawling before then. You know what I think?"

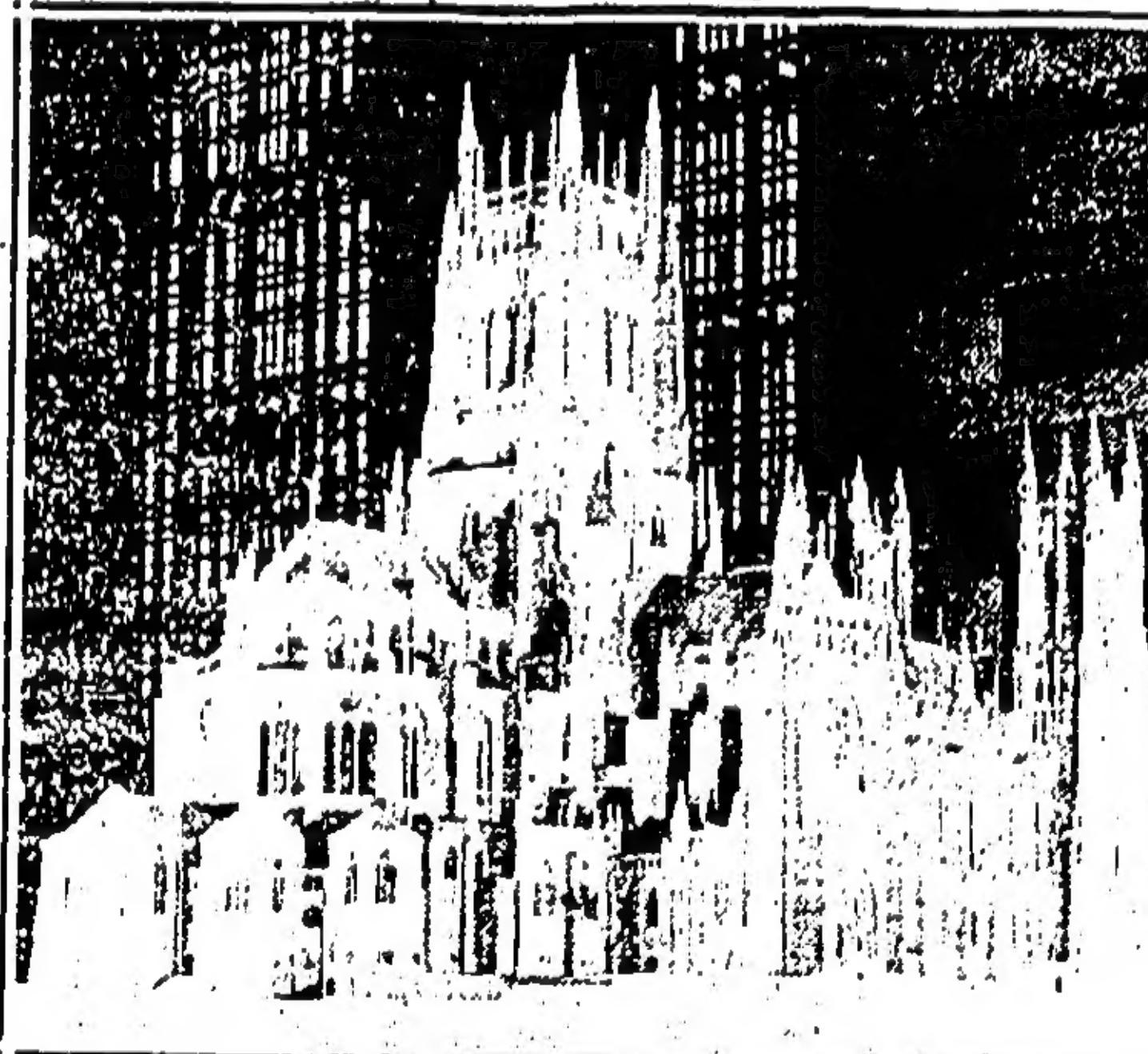
"I think it's that old prison that gets his goat! He's so jittery now he can't eat. And when appetites fail on shipboard, a man's either senile or got the fear of hell-fire in him."

In mid-afternoon the fishermen arrived, and even the sullen De Loma was at the rail to watch their coming aboard. Any kind of activity was better than the stiffness and utter lack of human association from which he had been suffering.

"Oh, what marvellous luck!" Mary called out involuntarily as the boat came alongside and she saw several shining fish in the bottom. "What are they? I never saw such beautiful fish before."

Both Mr. Jupiter and Bates were grinning as they climbed out, albeit rather stiffly, and came up the gangplank.

"Kingfish," Bates replied, "and they're rightly named, too. What a fight one of those fellows gave me! He knew I was an amateur so he gave the works."



This is not New York's new Cathedral of St. John the Divine. It hasn't been completed! This is a model of the edifice, recently unveiled. The model weighs one ton, is nearly 13 feet long, seven feet wide and eight feet high.

"Didn't you get any barracuda?" "No. No luck there." Mr. Jupiter called a deck hand to bring their catch up from the dinghy. "I wouldn't want to try to bring one of those into that cockleshell. Got the boat loose yet?"

"Sorry, sir," the captain replied. "And now there's something the matter with the radio. Tried to get Key West to order a tug, but it wouldn't work. Couldn't raise anybody. A sudden thought made him look suspiciously in De Loma's direction. "If I thought anyone had tampered with it—"

De Loma brought his eyes back from a moody contemplation of Fort Jefferson prison, turned and walked away. The captain's speculative gaze followed him.

Dirk was either asleep or feigned it when Mary went down to see him. His stony unresponsiveness was beginning to wear her spirits down at last. It was not human, she felt, to be so stubbornly resistant even to the ordinary claims of friendship. He must hate her.



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the 11th February, 1932, AT NOON,
for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the Directors together with a
Statement of Accounts for the year
ended 31st December, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the
Company will be CLOSED from
Wednesday, the 3rd February, 1932,
to Thursday, the 11th February, 1932,
both days inclusive.

NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
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General Meeting of the Members of
the above named Company will be
held at 12.15 p.m. on the same day
and at the same place as and
immediately after the before mentioned
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purpose of considering and if
thought fit passing the following
resolution as an Extraordinary
Resolution.

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the fourth lines of Article 96a of
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of the words "Five thousand
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GIVEN that a further Extraordinary
General Meeting of the Members of
the Company will be held at the same
place at 12.30 p.m. on Friday the
26th day of February, 1932, for the
purpose of receiving a report of the
proceedings at the before mentioned
Extraordinary General Meeting and
of confirming if thought fit the before
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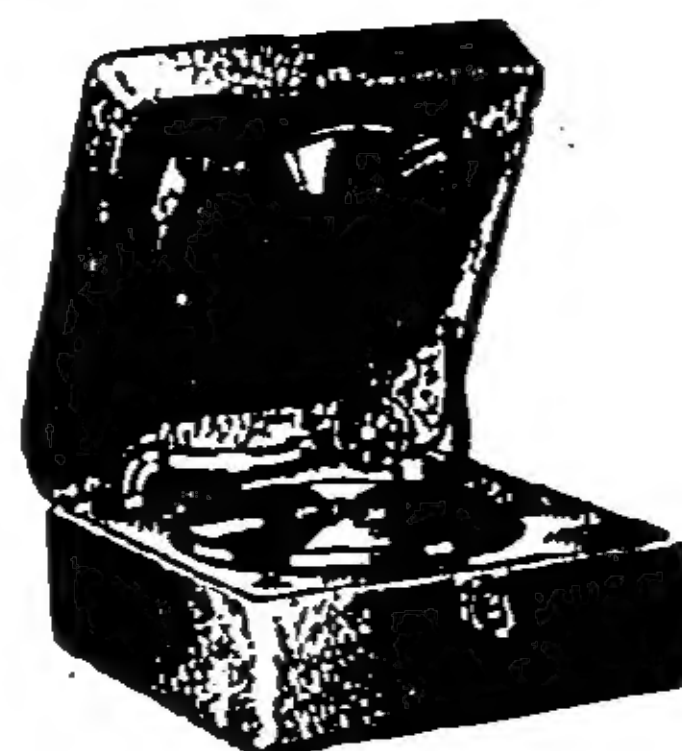


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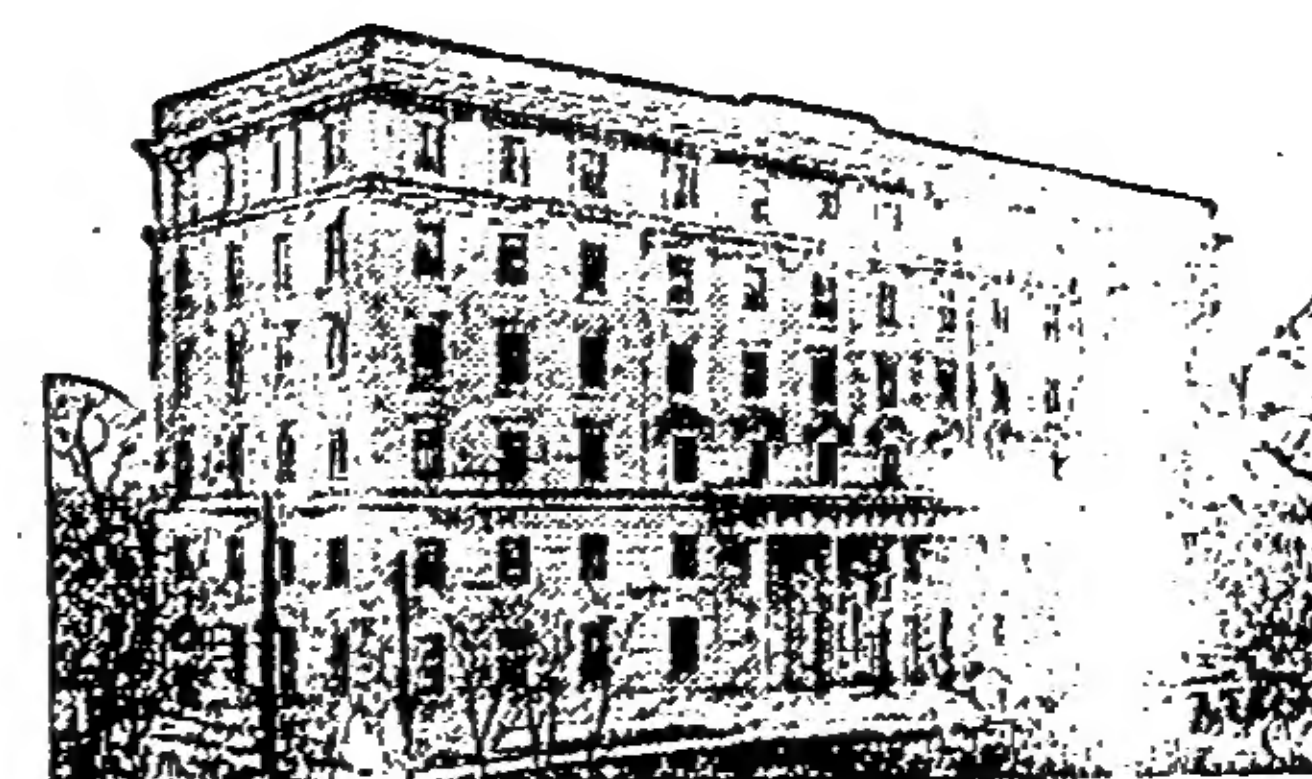
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Dr. D. H. Geffen, medical officer
of health for Enfield, speaking at
a winter school for health visitors
at Bedford College gave advice to
fathers regarding their treatment
of their children.

"There is always a desire among
fathers," he said, "to boast about
the scholastic attainments of their
children, but there is nothing I
loathe more than to see parents
boasting of their children's
scholastic attainments when the
child is below seven years of age.
"The attempt to instil into a
child a large amount of knowledge
before he has reached the age of
seven spells disaster.
"With regard to punishment, so
often it is the habit for the mother
to instil fear of the father into the
child, and for the father to mete
out punishment when he comes
home from work. In this way the
father comes to be regarded by
the child as a kind of ogre, right
to his child's love as much as the
mother, and for this reason from the
earliest days fathers should devote
all the time they can to playing
with their children."

Girls' Chances in Life.
Discussing the problem of the
adolescent boy and girl, Dr. Geffen
said that he considered it the
duty of the father to see that his
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INWARD-MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux	February 2.
Japan and Shanghai	Helan Maru	February 2.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	February 2.
Calcutta and Straits	Takada	February 2.
Salgon	D'Artagnan	February 2.
Japan	Melbourne Maru	February 4.
London Parcels only, London Strait	Sarpedon	February 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Terukuni Maru	February 5.
Straits	Katori Maru	February 6.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang- hai	Pres. Van Buren	February 6.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang- hai	G. P. O.	February 6.
(San Francisco, 11th January)	Pres. Grant	February 8.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., 10th January)	Emp. of Russia	February 8.
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	February 10.

OUTWARD-MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
*Straits and Calcutta	Himalaya Maru	Mon, Feb. 1, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Taiyo Maru	Mon, Feb. 1, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Mon, Feb. 1, 3 p.m.
Foochow	Yingchow	Mon, Feb. 1, 3.30 p.m.
Samsui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Mon, Feb. 1, 4 p.m.
Amoy	Hwang	Mon, Feb. 1, 5 p.m.
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Tiladana	Tues, Feb. 2, 9.30 a.m.
Haiphong	G. G. Maurice Long II	Tues, Feb. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Salgon and *Europe via Marseilles	Chenonceaux	Tues, Feb. 2, 10.30 a.m.
	K. P. O.	
	Registration	10 a.m.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	Registration	12.45 p.m.
	Letters	1.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 4th March).	
Straits and *Europe via Marseilles	Autolycus	Tues, Feb. 2, 10.30 a.m.
	K.P.O.	
	Registration	10 a.m.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Registration	1.15 p.m.
	Letters	2 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 3rd March)	

Fort Bayard, Huihow, Pakhoi and
Haiphong

Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., *Canada, Central and South Amer- ica and *Europe via San Fran- cisco and *Europe via Siberia	President McKinley	Tues, Feb. 2, Noon.
	Parcels	Feb. 2, Noon.
	Reg.	Feb. 2, 1.45 a.m.
	Letters	Feb. 2, 2.30 p.m.
	(Due San Francisco 23rd February).	
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Hal Ning	Tues, Feb. 2, 2 p.m.
Salgon	Lingchow	Tues, Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Hopsang	Tues, Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, *Japan and *Europe via Siberia	D'Artagnan	Wed, Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Straits	Lyeemoon	Wed, Feb. 3, 3.30 p.m.
Huihow and Haiphong	Mennio Maru	Thurs, Feb. 4, 3.30 p.m.
Sandakan	Mausang	Thurs, Feb. 4, 3.30 p.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Halnyang	Thurs, Feb. 4, 1 p.m.
Manila, Australia, and New Zea- land via Brisbane	Melbourne Maru	Thurs, Feb. 4, 2 p.m.
	Parcels	Feb. 4, 2 p.m.
	Reg.	Feb. 4, 2.45 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 4, 3.30 p.m.
	(Due Brisbane, 18th February)	

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., G.
and South America and *Europe
via Vancouver, B.C. and *Europe
via Siberia

*Straits and Calcutta	Sui Sang	Fri, Feb. 5, 1 p.m.
	Parcels	Fri, Feb. 5, 1 p.m.
	Letters	Fri, Feb. 5, 1 p.m.
	(Due Victoria B.C., 23rd Feb.)	

Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A.,
Central and South America and
*Europe via Victoria B.C.

	President Madison	Fri, Feb. 5, 3 p.m.
	Parcels	Fri, Feb. 5, 3.45 p.m.
	Reg.	Fri, Feb. 5, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	Fri, Feb. 5, 4.30 p.m.
	(Due Victoria B.C., 23rd Feb.)	

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,
East and South Africa, Aden,
Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

	Torukuni Maru	Fri, Feb. 5, 4.30 p.m.
	Reg.	Fri, Feb. 5, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	Fri, Feb. 5, 4.30 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Fri, Feb. 5, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Fri, Feb. 5, 5 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 3rd March)	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun, Feb. 7, 9 a.m.

Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,
East and South Africa, Aden,
Egypt and Europe via Brindisi

	Gange	Wed, Feb. 10, 10.30 a.m.
	K.P.O.	
	Reg.	Feb. 10, 3 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 10, 4 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Reg.	Feb. 10, 4.45 p.m.
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Salgon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mau-
ritius, East and South Africa and
South America ports

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Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius,
East and South Africa, Aden,
Egypt and Europe via Marseilles

	Kashmir	Sat, Feb. 13, 10.30 a.m.
	K.P.O.	
	Parcels	Feb. 13, 4.30 p.m.
	Reg.	Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
	G.P.O.	
	Parcels	Feb. 12, 5 p.m.
	Reg.	Feb. 13, 9.45 a.m.
	Letters	Feb. 13, 10.30 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 12th March)	

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by the Queen.
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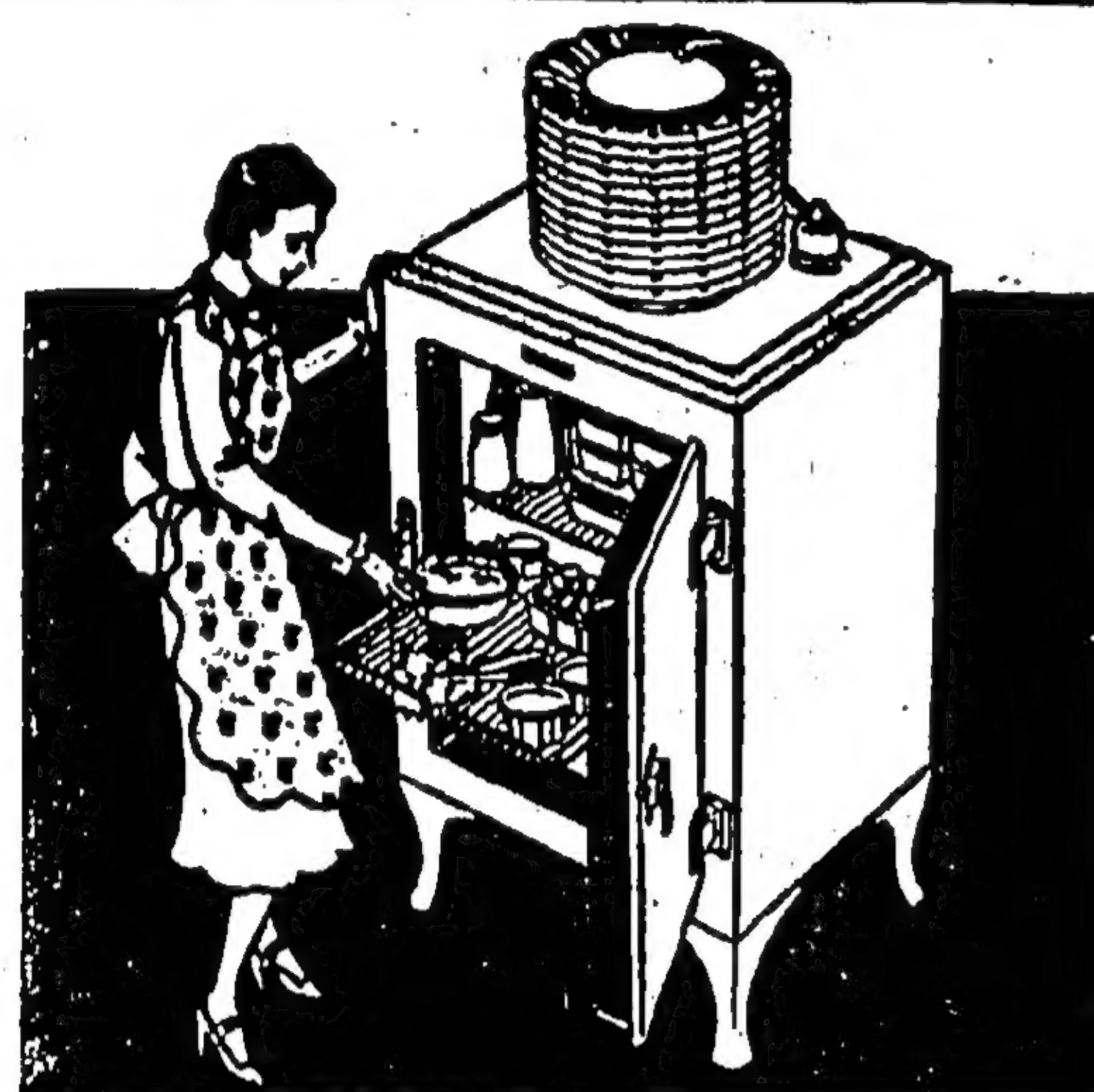


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THE BOOKSHELF.

CROWN COLONIES' INDUSTRIES.

Arising out of the changed fiscal policy at Home, Erlangers, Ltd., the well-known bankers, have published a series of treatises on the manufacturing industries of the British Overseas Empire. The work of writing these reviews has been entrusted to Mr. Harold N. Carvalho, who has assembled facts and figures in a simple and easily assimilable form, steering clear of any bias towards either Protection or Free Trade.

Part V. of the series, dealing with Newfoundland, the West Indies, Ceylon, Hongkong, Sarawak, Brunei and Borneo, has now made its appearance, retailing at 2s. 6d. net. Several pages are devoted to Hongkong, giving facts and figures concerning the Colony's commercial and economic position, these being supplemented by coloured statistical diagrams which show the situation at a glance and which add greatly to the value of the production.

Dealing with the tariff issue, the author points out that Hongkong's position is unique in the Empire, since the Colony "is the one unit in the British Empire where the imposition of a tariff, giving preference to goods from the United Kingdom and the Empire, would without doubt be of no reciprocal advantage; it would destroy the basis on which she has built up her trade, and, by adding the complication of a Customs organisation, would probably throw out of gear, if not destroy, the delicate machinery which has worked smoothly and profitably for nearly a hundred years. This loss would more than offset any benefit British manufacturers might receive from a preference on cotton goods, which, perhaps, is the only class of import from the United Kingdom on which tariff preference might be of any advantage. In any case, the United Kingdom could not offer any material advantage in return, as Hongkong has practically no exportable local produce in which reciprocal preference could be granted."

Hongkong Harbour.

There has just been issued a second edition of "Notes on the Harbour of Hongkong," by E. J. deLorne, B.Sc. (Lond.) and Rev. N. Evans, M.A. (Oxon). Originally compiled for the masters of the junior classes in Ellis Kadorie School, and, as such, having been used in geography lessons for the past eighteen months, they have been issued in pamphlet form. Opportunity has been taken by the Rev. N. Evans of revising and, in many cases, of rewriting and recasting the notes. The work has been admirably done, the matter being well assembled and illustrated both by photographs and maps. The hope expressed by the authors that the booklet may be of interest to older scholars and the general public is one which should be realised.

Light Fiction.

Messrs. Ward, Lock and Co., Ltd., the well-known London publishers, continue to issue fresh additions to their Colonial Library series of light fiction. Amongst the latest are some quite entertaining novels by approved writers.

C. J. Cutcliffe Hyne continues his Kettle series in "Mr. Kettle, Third Mate," in which he shows that he has lost none of his cunning in presenting stories. His latest book is a typical Kettle story telling how this fierce little sailor in his early days loved the Empress Teresa of Mexico, helped her to rediscover the secret of gold-making and tried to restore her to the throne. The action is vivid and takes place in the Caribbean Sea and the West African Rio de Oro. Kettle fanciers will find in this book much to chuckle over in the early activities of their well-loved red-headed captain of later years.

Laurence Meynell gives us a very readable volume in "Asking for Trouble." It relates, in a series of short stories, what happened to Stanley Tredegar, wealthy and handsome bachelor of leisure, when

THE HWA NAN COLLEGE.

PROFESSOR'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS.

Stressing the importance of learning the English language Professor H. K. M. Simpson, who distributed the prizes at the first prize-giving day of the Hwa Nan College on Saturday afternoon, said that it was almost impossible for Hongkong boys to attain a real understanding of Western science or Western ideas without a thorough study of English.

The prize-giving was held at the Ko Shing Theatre in which a big gathering of friends and parents of the students attended and were entertained with a delightful programme of musical and other theatrical items.

Kallap School.

Mr. J. M. Noronha presented the prizes on Saturday afternoon to the pupils of the Kallap School which is run under the auspices of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 80, Queen's Road, East.

Yueh Chi's Prize Day.

The annual speech day of the Yueh Chi College was held yesterday morning in the Po Hing Theatre in Yau-mat. The prizes and certificates were distributed by the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, while Dr. S. Y. Wong, of the Hongkong University, addressed the students.

The Yueh Chi College staff and students have organised an exhibition of needlework, embroidery, paintings in Chinese and work in plaster and bamboo, etc., which will open this coming weekend in the school building, 1, Nathan Road. The public is invited to attend.

he advertised that he was tired of playing the fool and sought unusual and exciting occupation "within the law preferred, but not essential." Many complications develop when Tredegar comes into contact with not too innocent maidens and unscrupulous villains. Very good fiction, told with marked ability and reflecting excellent characterisation.

Good as her previous books have been, Ethel Lina White has probably done nothing better than "Put Out the Light," a story which holds the reader's attention from start to finish. It is the tale of a rich elderly spinster who believed she would be murdered and who feared four young people, regarding them as lions, lamed by her whip, who might spring if ever her foot slipped. The murder does take place, and the mystery is only fathomed when accident puts the local Police Superintendent on the right track. The authoress, in a prefatory note, points out that the victim, the dominant character in the novel, has been retained as long as possible. Readers may therefore decide who is going to kill her, before the murder is actually committed: "they will probably reach the goal before the detective, who is built to last, and not for speed."

"The Countryman."

That delightful half-crown quarterly non-party review and miscellany of rural life and industry, "The Countryman," continues its vigorous and evergreen existence with every sign of a long and fruitful life. The January number, now to hand, is full of interest. Apart from the common-sense comments which we have come to associate with this journal, there are any number of informative and well-written contributions, varying in subject from country-house aeroplanes to caravan bookshop adventures and from the story of the life of an old gamekeeper to letters by a candid architect, to say nothing of farming experiences and an ancient diary of a country parson-farmer. The whole volume exudes the English countryside and comes, to the exile, as a reminder of much that they have lost by leaving the Old Country. There is no better way of maintaining the link with rural England than by becoming a regular reader of "The Countryman."

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1425 n.
Chartered Bank, \$12½ n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$18 n.
East Asia, \$127½ n.

Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$1350 n.
Union Ins., \$412 n.
China Underwriters, \$4.62½ n.
China Fire, \$590 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1250 n.

Shipping.
Douglases, \$25 b.
H. K. Steamboats, \$23 b.
Indo-China, (Pref.) \$46 n.
Union Waterboats, \$25 n.

Mining.
Benguet, \$11.75 b.
Kallang, \$9 n.
S'hai Explorations, Tls. 2.70 n.
Rauha, \$39 n.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$158 n.
Whampoa Docks, \$20 n.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old), \$5.30 n.
Hongkew, Tls. 220 n.

New Engineers, Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 9½ n.
Cottons.

Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.70 n.
Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 80½ b.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11½ n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotels (old), \$14.80 n.
H. K. S. Hotels (new), \$14.75 n.
H. K. Lands, \$81½ n.

S'hai Lands, Tls. 30 n.
Humphreys, \$19 n.
Realities, \$11.65 n.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$22.60 n.
Peak Tram, (old), \$15.60 n.
Star Ferry, \$101½ n.

China Lights, \$26.90 n.
H. K. Electric, \$77½ n.
Macao Electric, \$23 n.
Telephones, \$43 n.

China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Traction, 3/- b.
Industrial.

Malboms \$38 n.
Canton Ice, \$5 b.
Cements (com.), \$19.10 n.
Ropes, \$17½ n.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$29.30 n.
Watsons, \$16.50 n.
Der A. Wings, \$1 n.

Lane Crawfords, \$6.35 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 b.
Sincera, \$16 b.
Powells, \$3.60 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$19.90 n.
Entertainments (old), \$16½ n.
Constructions (old), \$5.30 n.

S. C. Enterprises \$10 n.
Constructions (new), \$2 n.
B. Ind. Co. \$ Bonds, 558% n.
Loans, 3% b. Prem.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

Business was at a standstill this morning owing to the nervousness caused by the political situation in the North.

Sales.
Union Insurance \$412.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15.70/16.
Buyers.

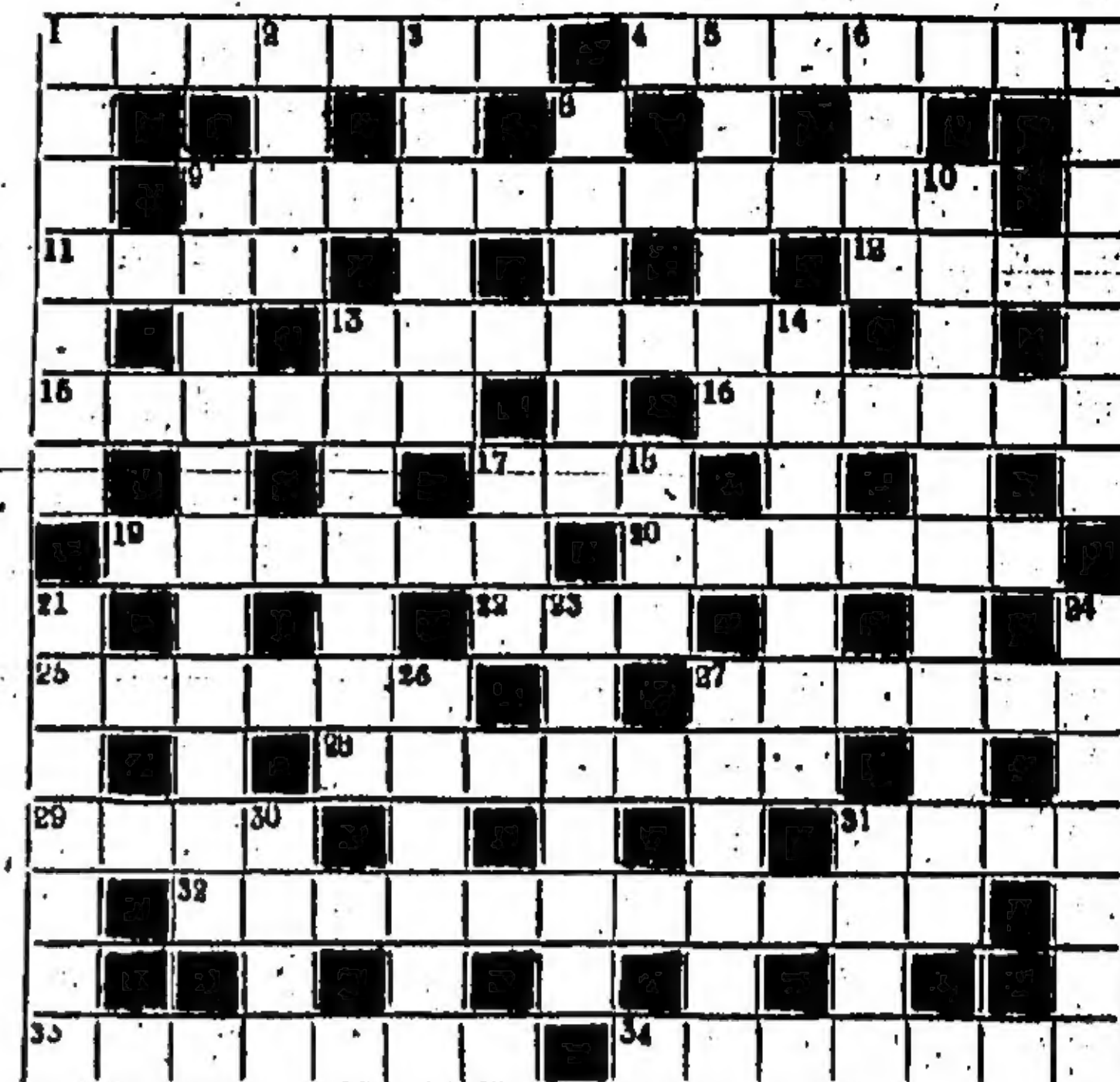
Benguet \$11½.
Venz. Goldfields \$2.
Chinese Estates \$95.
Singapore Traction 3/-.
Mackintosh \$10.

Sellers.
Indo-China (Pref.) \$46.
Indo-China (Def.) \$32.
Kallang Mining 90/-.
Haubs \$30.

Hotels (old) \$14.80.
Malboms \$38.
Entertainments (old) \$16½.
S. C. Enterprises \$10.

DIXIANA
A RADIO PICTURE
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A RADIO PICTURE

OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



- Across
- 1 A kind of fire that would be naked but for one rag.
 - 4 Takes two to do it. (You'll find the two in the end.)
 - 9 A silent originator gives rise to surprise (to put it mildly).
 - 11 If he's after it, it (although plural) should make a man of him.
 - 12 They are just... this!
 - 13 Enough here for a lobster.
 - 15 "Sweet" - loveliest village of the plain.
 - 16 Presages a close shave.
 - 17 Hal! this is rash.
 - 19 English hills.
 - 20 Part of France.
 - 22 When Ada came after it, it was all due to Philip.
 - 25 A kettle support.
 - 27 Silent, but confused.
 - 28 Military science.
 - 29 Anyone, taken to it is reproved.
 - 31 A hot place to get the deer out of.
 - 32 If you're on them, you're not at your ease.
 - 33 A French island old friends should appreciate.
 - 34 Glandular, and operated on in the plural.

- Down
- 1 A conductor at the top of the tree, and the tree's at the top of the conductor.
 - 2 Headless field defeat.
 - 3 English historian.
 - 5 One source of lament.
 - 6 Many a man has afterwards this being what sounds like it.
 - 7 You must be a cross-word "fan" if you have got thus far without

Saturday's Solution.

IMPOTUNE TREW
N A E N A A A
C O U R A G E F U S S I L Y
U C D A I K S P
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C P O I B E H O W L E R S
E N N P O F L
R E E L P I T C H T A L C
T E S S I U D P U
A M E R I C A S P O N S O R
I N Z P E N E
N I T R E H O R T E N S I O

RARE MANUSCRIPTS.


LOTHIAN LIBRARY UNDER THE HAMMER.

New York, Jan. 30.
The second day of the sale of Lord Lothian's library witnessed the purchase of a document said to be second in importance only to the Declaration of Independence. It is the "Olive

Branch Petition to King George Third," and was purchased for the surprisingly low sum of \$53,000.

Yesterday, a Tikitt Painter, dating from about 1800 was sold to Dr. Rosenbach of Philadelphia, the famous book collector of rare books and manuscripts, for \$61,000.—Reuter's American Service.

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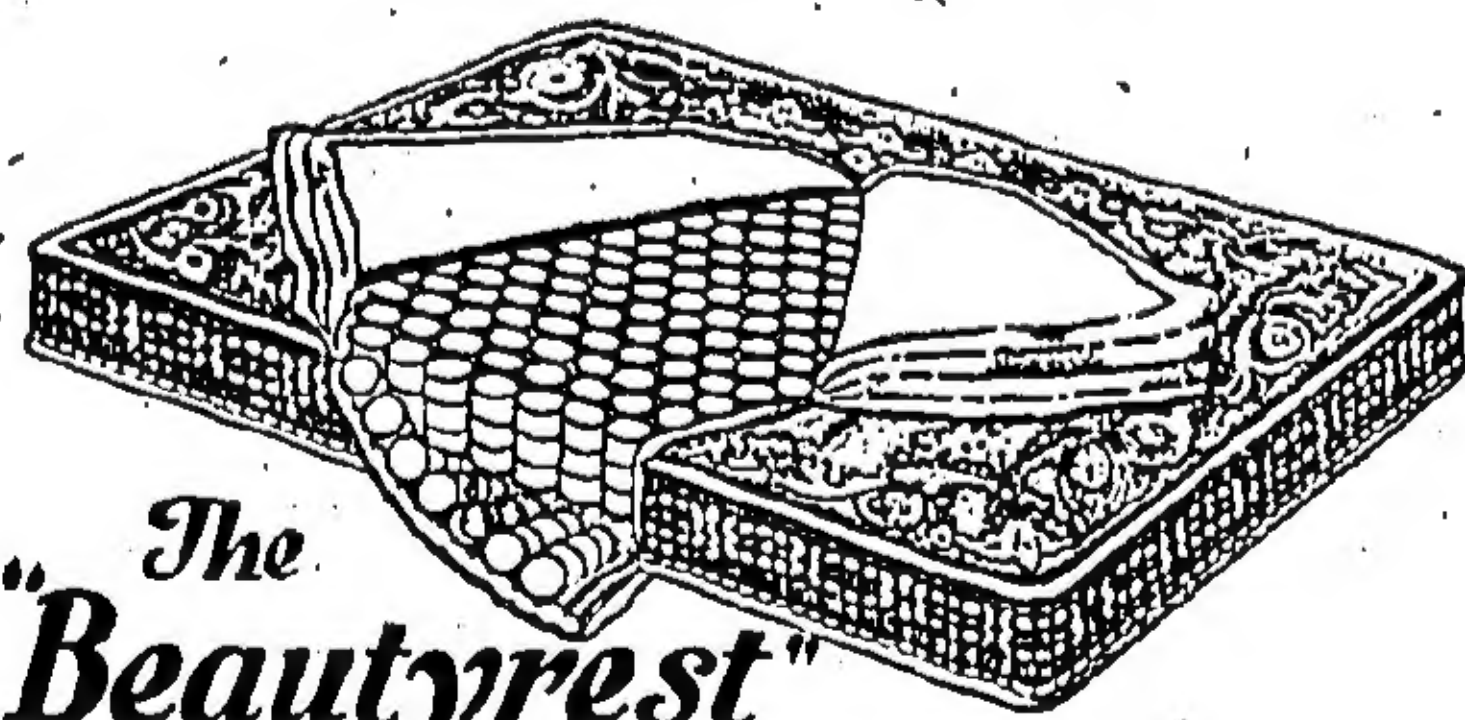
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DEATH.

LAU—Estaphany, Epiphany, Da
Luz (Nee S.E. da Luz) Died at
his residence, 2 Pence Avenue,
Kowloon, this morning, aged 72
years. Funeral will pass the
Monument to-day at 5.30 p.m.
(Shanghai and Manila papers
please copy.)

The
Hongkong Telegraph

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1932.

JAPAN'S EXCUSE.

If the League of Nations has
hitherto not cut a very happy
figure over the Sino-Japanese
clash, it is at any rate something
to the good that the Council has
bluntly turned down the Japanese
proposal to postpone consideration
of China's invocation of Articles
X and XV of the Covenant. M.
Paul Boncour, at Friday's meeting,
countered the Japanese argu-
ments, and he had the support of
the whole of the members of the
Council. From this circumstance,
it is clear that there is no dispo-
sition in Geneva to agree to any
further quibbling in which the
Japanese delegate may wish to
indulge. The decision to con-
duct an enquiry on the spot
in Shanghai, for the purpose of
obtaining reliable information on
what has occurred, is an indica-
tion that the League realises the
urgency of the crisis there and
is determined to get at the
bottom of the matter. Much has
happened since the League decided
to send out a Commission to in-
vestigate the Manchurian tangle.
In view of what has since trans-
pired, and also because of the
sensational happenings in Shang-
hai, it almost seems as if
this Commission might as
well have never been appointed.
In any event, if the League does
not now succeed in exerting effec-
tive pressure, it will never recover
from the shock to its prestige and
utility.

Surprise, to put it mildly, will
be generally registered over the
Japanese excuse for the drastic
action taken in Shanghai. Posing
as the aggrieved party, the Japa-

ese contention is that whilst their
forces were occupying the posi-
tions assigned them under the
Settlement Defence Scheme, they
were attacked by Chinese Regulars
and armed men in plain clothes.
When we look back on the cir-
cumstances associated with the
Japanese action, it is little short
of amazing that such an excuse
should be advanced. We know
that the Japanese Consul-General
informed the Mayor on Thursday
that he regarded the Chinese reply
to the ultimatum as satisfactory,
but, even so, that he warned the
Chinese authorities that if they
did not keep their promises, the
Japanese would take whatever
steps they considered necessary,
without giving any further notice.
The next development, within a
few hours, was a decision by the
Japanese Admiral to occupy
Chapel. "In order to maintain
peace and order." How that
"occupation" was put into effect,
without the least warning, accom-
panied by aerial bombing, is now
common knowledge. There was
no question of the Chinese not
having kept their promises; the
time element completely rules out
any such contention. Moreover,
the Japanese, according to the
U.S. Consul-General, had given a
definite undertaking that their
forces would not, in any event, be
moved either on Thursday or
Friday. Yet on Thursday night,
the terrible onslaught began.

In the face of these cir-
cumstances, it would seem a very
poor method of attempting to ex-
plain away Japanese aggression
by an allegation that Japanese
forces, peaceably moving in ac-
cordance with Settlement defence
plans, were suddenly attacked by
the Chinese. The earlier evidence
would appear completely to rebut
any such contention. It is, in-
deed, difficult to escape the con-
viction that from the very start
the Japanese worked according to
a pre-arranged plan, and that they
intended to put that plan into
effect whatever the nature of the
Chinese reply to the ultimatum.
If we go back even further, to
the very commencement of the
Manchurian trouble, and trace the
events which have occurred, we
gather the same impression. The
tragedy of it all is that, so far,
Japan has been able to brush all
protests on one side and proceed
on her task "according to pro-
gramme."

AIRCRAFT CARRIERS AS "LINERS."

U. S. BID FOR BLUE RHAND OF ATLANTIC.

According to reports in the
American Press, the aircraft car-
riers Lexington and Saratoga are
to be converted into superliners to
attempt to capture for America
the "blue rhands" of the Atlantic.
These two aircraft carriers, which cost
\$18,000,000, are known to be white
elephants in the American Fleet
but it is difficult for anyone con-
versant with the internal "lay-out"
and external flying decks of air-
craft carriers to believe that they
could operate successfully as
"liners." The flying decks would
comfortably accommodate several
games of football.

These two aircraft-carrying
liners, of 33,000 tons, have a
horse-power of over 180,000 and a
speed of about 30 knots, but in
horse-power and tonnage they are,
of course, below those of the great
Cunard liner and the Ile de France
round which so much interest now
centres.

The clause of the Lexington and
Saratoga as aircraft carriers will
bring into prominence the whole
question of the value of this type
of vessel, which has cost, all
Navies, including our own, such
great sums of money.

Great Britain now has eight
aircraft carriers, five of which,
including the R.A.N. ship Albatros,
are paid off into reserve or
dockyard control, and three of
which are in commission.

The February meeting of the Hong-
kong Branch of the English Associa-
tion has been postponed from
February 2 to February 10 (Tuesday)
at 5.30 p.m. in the Helena May
Institute. Mr. H. N. France, M.A.,
Reader in History at the University
of Hongkong, will speak on "The
Historical Novel."

DAY BY DAY

IN THE ADVERSITY OF OUR BEST
FRIENDS WE OFTEN FIND SOMETHING
WHICH DOES NOT DISPLEASE US.
—*Rockefort*—

A whilst drive is being held this
evening at St. John's Cathedral Hall
at 8.45 p.m.

The St. John Ambulance Brigade
report that up to January 28, 71,088
people had received free vaccination
by the Brigade's officers. Vaccina-
tion will be discontinued until after
the Chinese New Year holidays.

Dr. Saa de Waldemar, the
magician, gave an exhibition at the
Chinese Catholic Young Men's Society
in Gable Road on Saturday night to
a large number of people. The pro-
ceeds were in aid of the Building
Fund of the Mongkok Catholic Church.

The King Edward VII Scholarship
awarded on the results of the
Matriculation Examination held in
November 1931 has been won by Mr.
Fong Ching Sze of the Anglo-Chinese
High School, Penang. It has not
been possible to award more than one
such scholarship this year.

The Nestle & Anglo-Swiss Condensed
Milk Co. advertise that Mr. J. W.
Buck has been appointed Acting
Manager for Hongkong & South
China. Mr. H. C. Shrubsole will
proceed to Singapore to take up his
appointment as manager for Malaya,
British North Borneo and Sarawak.

The Health Bulletin of Far Eastern
ports for the week ending the 31st
ultra, shows the following cases of
infectious diseases and deaths there-
from: Plague, Alexandria 1 case,
Baghdad 1 case, Bangkok 2 cases, 1
death, Colombo 2 cases, 2 deaths,
Chern, Calcutta 26 cases, 14 deaths,
Phom-Penh 1 case, 1 death, Saigon 1
case, Small-pox, Baghdad 2 cases,
Barrak 1 case, Bassora 1 case, Bom-
bay 1 case, Calcutta 3 cases, 1 death,
Cochin 1 case, Karachi 2 cases, 1
death, Madras 3 cases, 2 deaths,
Rangoon 35 cases, 8 deaths, Tuticorin
6 cases, 2 deaths, Pondicherry 1 case,
1 death, Phom-Penh 1 case, Saigon 28
cases, 22 deaths, Amoy 60 cases, 28
deaths, Tientsin 11 cases, Shanghai
48 cases, 21 deaths.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close
of the sugar market on Satur-
day has been received by Messrs.
Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals.

March 6/11 1/4 up 1/4d.
May 7/11 1/4 up 1/4d.
August 7/4 up 2 1/4d.
December 7/6 1/2 up 1 1/2d.
Buyers at above prices, sellers
asking 1/4d. more.

New York Terminals.

March 1.05 no change.
May 1.08 no change.
July 1.13 no change.
September 1.19 up 1 pt.
December 1.25 up 1 pt.

Samarang (30/1/32).—Advises
to hand state that there is every
indication of Java Producers com-
ing to an agreement on the sub-
ject of restriction of planting the
next crop by 50%, also that reduc-
tion will be made in the Export Al-
lowance for year ending 31st
March, 1923.

MARTYRDOM OF MAN

Slave To His Own Mechanism.

THERE is nothing novel in the
idea of humanity becoming
enslaved to its own mechanical
invention. Many clear-headed
thinkers and astute philosophers
have foreseen the possibility of its
happening. The amazing thing
is that the present generation,
which has witnessed an unpre-
cedented miracle of mechanical
progress and scientific invention,
fails as yet to realise its own
soulless servitude.

Some glimmering comprehension
of the accomplished fact is begin-
ning to penetrate the minds of
economic and industrial experts,
but so far as the mass of highly
civilised mankind is concerned it
is a case of "regardless of their
doom, the little victims play."

Most people, indeed, will regard
such a suggestion with tolerant
incredulity, as merely an ingenious-
ly plausible paradox. Their com-
placent sanity rejects as absurd
any practical subjugation of man-
kind to the mechanism that is the
offspring of its own genius and
its own hands. They argue that
the creator is greater than his
creation and must remain omni-
potent over the inanimate puppets of
his own construction.

It would be hard to think of a
more fallacious action than that.
If the world at large were con-
sulted in the matter, and public
opinion could have its way, would
not all the elaborate and ingenious
mechanism of human destruction
be forthwith scrapped? Yet can
anyone visualise that actually
happening within our time or that
of our children's children?

The Motor Car.

When the machine arrives,
whether it be a torpedo or a
tractor, an automatic field gun or
a printing press, it comes to stay
until something deadlier or more
efficient takes its place. The
motor car fought its way, against
the most vehement popular pro-
judice and the most stringent
official restrictions, to a complete
revolution of human transport.
Dare anyone suggest that, unless
the aeroplane entirely supersedes
it, the motor car will ever be
suppressed? It might be a huge
public misfortune to attempt to
do so, but that is not the reason
why it cannot happen. Poison
gas is not a public benefaction,
yet even the solemn ostracism
of the nations assembled at Geneva
has failed to shut down the poison
gas laboratories throughout the
civilised world.

The most familiar example of
mankind's servitude to mere
mechanism is the clock. Shake-
speare's dictum that we are the
slaves of time was doubtless true
long before clocks were invented.
Sunrise and sunset, whose
majestic mechanism owes nothing
to mortal brains or human hands,
imposed their automatic sway
even on primitive humanity. But
clocks have immensely tightened
up the tyranny. They are, indeed,
the cash registers of our hours
and minutes, and audit our lives
as punctiliously as a chartered
accountant.

It may be urged, with truth,
that clocks and watches are ex-
tremely useful things, and serve
an admirable purpose in the
world. That that did not prevent the
parliaments of most civilised

countries passing special legisla-
tion, at considerable pains and
with much difficulty, in order to
modify the dictatorship of the
clock. The Daylight Saving Act
was humanity's first unconscious
gesture of hostility to the steadily
encompassing slavery of the
machine.

All-Ruling Machinery.

The truth is that the genie of
the lamp have turned the tables
on us. Aladdin rubbed his lamp,
and gave his orders to the omni-
potent spirits invoked by that
simple friction. To-day the march
of mechanical invention has
reached a pitch when it is the
genie of the lamp who issue their
orders, and we must implicitly
obey them.

The factory hooter, which sum-
mons awaking proletarians to
their daily task, sounds very like
the raucous voice of some sooty
genius of the industrial lamp.
His accents may be heard also in
the shrill blast of the locomotive
that draws the black coal workers
office-wards, and in the hoarse
steamer siren that echoes from
the docksides! These magic genii
still serve us, but they have grown
insolent in office, and now we
must also serve them. Mechanism
rules the modern world, and
humanity at large must needs con-
form to its routine.

But these instances of the
tyranny of the machine are only
trivial. We may easily discover
far more serious instances of its
juggernaut progress.

The whole world at this moment
is suffering from an unparalleled
slump. That slump is due pri-
marily to the Great War, which
was a sanguinary apotheosis of
man-made mechanism. Yet the
direct cause of the world-wide
depression is over-production—by
the mechanism of peace. The
very machines we made to feed
us are now starving a great
number of us. The dole queues
that punctuate our industrial
suburbs may be regarded as con-
spicuous mecessions to the altar
of mechanism, the helpless
necylothes who serve in the temple
of the omnipotent machine. The
Disarmament Conference and the
Economic Conference are merely
humanity's feeble attempts to
curb the dictatorship of its own
inventive offspring. The Great
Powers could as little prohibit
aeroplane as they did sub-
marines.

And we may be, for all anyone
dares predict now, only on the
threshold of the age of mechan-
ism. Some irresistible impulse
urges us ever onwards in mechan-
ical invention. It may be man's
blind effort to evade the in-
eluctable primordial curse of
labour. He invents the machine
to save the sweat of his brow,
and the monster promptly swallows
his blood.

It was Voltaire, I believe, who
declared that, if there had been
no God, it would have been neces-
sary to invent one. Can it be
that in this strange epoch of the
world's eventual history, the
forces of irreligion are let loose?
That humanity is relaxing its
hold on eternal truths in pursuit
of illimitable but inane ambi-
tions? And that Voltaire's
inspired epigram is in the breathless
efforts of a materialist genera-
tion to make mechanism into its
new God?

BEVERLEY NICHOLS tells How to Give a Party.

MY first and most urgent
piece of advice is—never have
a red carpet. No matter how
many Balkan Royalities you may be
expecting, no matter how wet the
night, or muddy the pavement—
never have a red carpet. It is a
great temptation to your guests.
The colour seems to go to their
heads.

I speak from bitter experience.
When I gave my last party a red
carpet stretched magnificently from
the front door to the gutter. It
was only placed there for its deco-
rative value, because the night was
warm and dry and no Royalities
were expected. (I only entertain
Royalities in Lent).

Cause of the Trouble.

Some time after midnight a cer-
tain famous actress strolled to the
door to obtain a little fresh air, of
which she appeared to be in need.
She observed the carpet and sat
upon it. Instantly four young men
seized the carpet by one end, uttered
a shrill war cry, and dashed down
the street with it, carrying the
lady with them.

This was too much for the
neighbourhood. All down the
street windows opened and grizzled
(Continued on Page 8)



"Why don't you write some more marches, Ben? When
things are quiet it's a good time to prepare for another
war picture."

WEEK-END DEVELOPMENTS IN SHANGHAI.

CATHAY HOTEL HIT: PEACE PARLEY BREAKS DOWN.

Nanking, Jan. 31, 9.04 a.m.
It is officially reported that there were 1,000 Chinese casualties in the fighting in Chappel-up-to-Saturday morning.

The 6th regiment of the 73th Division, the 19th (Cantonese) army bore the brunt of battle, losing 600 killed.—*Reuter*.

Two Theatres Burned Down

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 9.30 a.m.
Friday's huge conflagrations in Chappel have died down after the destruction of over 1,000 houses, a number of warehouses and factories, and doing damage amounting to more than £1,000,000, but another huge block on the North Szechuen Road including the Odeon Cinema, the Kwangtung Theatre and several public residences were gutted last night.

Chinese eyewitnesses assert that the fire was started by Japanese machines with kerosene, to which the Japanese Consul-General replied: "Should it have been the case it was intended to wipe out snipers who have proved such a deadly menace to our soldiers."—*Reuter*.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 11.54 a.m.
Seventeen sampans, including six bombers, were circling the Settlement, Chappel and Nantao this morning.

The Japanese located 200 Chinese snipers on the roof of the Ritz Theatre, on Haining Road, a building under construction. Trench mortars were belching there. Japanese marines are bombing in reply.

It is estimated that the damage done by fire amounts to 50,000,000 taels.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

PEACE EFFORT FAILS.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 7.38 p.m.
A meeting of the Consular Body and Council delegates with Mayor Wu and Admiral Shioyama this morning, in Council Chamber, lasting from 10 a.m. to 1.30 p.m., failed to agree to the creation of a neutral zone.

They resumed discussions at 3 p.m., and at 6 p.m. adjourned.

I understand that the suggestion was that the Japanese should withdraw, returning to the North Szechuen Road hills, and the Chinese remain 2,000 metres outside the boundaries. However, no agreement was reached, for the British Consul General, Mr. Brennan, interviewed, stated that the truce stands.

The inmates of the Mental Ward at Haining Road were evacuated at 6 p.m., and are now accommodated in the gaol in Anow Road.

The Cathedral compound has become a sandbag and barbed-wire dump for internal defence.

The situation is ugly. The fire has reached the Settlement and is now behind the Mental Ward.—*Our Own Correspondent*.

The conference broke up leaving this ominous truce to continue "until somebody breaks it."—*Reuter*.

Garden Bridge Under Fire.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 9.02 p.m.
Snipers have been busy in various parts of the Settlement and French Concession this afternoon.

Many residents in outlying districts who have come in to the Cathay Hotel for safety were startled when a sniper's bullet splattered on the hotel walls this afternoon. However, the Municipal Police have increased their vigilance, and the trouble is not spreading.

A Japanese warship lying in the river off the Bund opened fire with a machine gun upon Garden Bridge, which connects the Hongkew district with the Settlement, on the pretext that the bridge was hiding snipers. The warship killed three Chinese refugees who were entering the Settlement.—*Reuter*.

Casualties.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 9.30 a.m.
Eight Stokes mortar shells, apparently fired by Chinese troops at the North Station, fell into the Settlement yesterday with the result that one Chinese was killed and one Japanese volunteer was wounded, while a Portuguese youth was slightly injured by shrapnel and a dozen people injured by stray bullets. Up to the present there have been no British casualties.—*Reuter*.

JAPANESE AT HONGKOW.

Take Over Complete Control of Area.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 9.40 a.m.
The Japanese have taken over the complete control of the Hongkew area of the International Settlement from Soochow Creek northward. The functions of the municipal police have been largely usurped by Japanese plain clothes "reservists" wearing brassards and armed with revolvers, bayonets, swordsticks, and even tomahawks, who hold up all motor cars, and pedestrians.

A Chinese chauffeur from a garage who was on his way home, and who ran away frightened by the patrol, was shot dead. Several others were killed on the possibility that they might be guilty of sniping. A number were injured.

At least two foreigners have been beaten up for interfering against the ill-treatment of Chinese.

Japanese reservist activities are extending westward of Soochow Creek.

United States marines have arrested 27 armed Japanese reservists in their sector.

Japanese marines have established a sandbag post on Robinson Road, in the Jesseld area.—*Reuter*.

BETTER FOOD REPORT.

Adequate Supplies for Some Time to Come.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 8.28 p.m.
The Settlement Municipal Council this afternoon decided to enforce curfew between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m. from Monday night.

Emergency committees appointed by the Council report that the Settlement has a good supply of food. Meat supplies are guaranteed and there is enough rice to supply all the Chinese. In the Settlement for two weeks, and vegetables are still coming in from the country in good quantities, the markets being well supplied.

The Council has an adequate number of volunteers for emergency work.—*Reuter*.

JAPANESE LEAVING.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 6.03 p.m.
This afternoon all the Japanese residents in that section of the Settlement which the Foreign forces are guarding received orders to withdraw to Hongkew area, which the Japanese are holding.

Even the Japanese correspondents operating in the Settlement are included in this order.

The reason for this step is unknown.

Shipping started at 4.45 p.m. in the Settlement and the French Concession.—*Reuter*.

JAPAN'S WARNING.

Probable Danger to the Settlement.

Tokyo, Jan. 31.
"Unless the Chinese stop their reinforcements or withdraw to a safe distance, not only will the position of the Japanese Marines, but also of the International Settlement itself, be exposed to danger of a very grave nature," solemnly declared Mr. Yoshizawa, when telling foreign correspondents the gist of his conversation with the British, American and French Ambassadors, when he summoned to the Foreign Office this afternoon for the purpose of removing misapprehensions and misunderstandings, and requesting them to ask their respective governments to take the matter up and use their influence to persuade the Chinese to withdraw.

Japan would welcome the appointment of a League Commission to investigate Shanghai, as she wants the League to see the true position, declared the Foreign Office spokesman, though he intimated that Japan would not be able to recognise the binding force of the recommendations.

In emphasising the imminent danger, Mr. Yoshizawa declared that the only hope of averting it is that the Chinese will accede to British, American and French joint pressure and withdraw.—*Reuter*.

"If the Powers Fail."

Mr. Yoshizawa, who made no attempt to conceal his anxiety, prefaced his warning with a chronological narration of the main developments since January 21, and asserted that both the initial clash on January 28 and the violation of the truce on January 30 were precipitated by the Chinese opening fire.

Stating that the reports indicated that Chiang Kai-shek was concentrating 30,000 troops in the vicinity of Shanghai, had ordered four squadrons of aircraft to proceed to Soochow, and was planning to launch an offensive as soon as reinforcements had arrived, Mr. Yoshizawa declared that Japan was obliged to consider what steps she should take to cope with the emergency. The army would probably be compelled to despatch troops if the Powers fail to induce the Chinese to withdraw, as Japan is not prepared to risk the annihilation of her Marines, he stated.—*Reuter*.

PROTEST TO TOKYO.

Ambassador's Note.

London, Jan. 31, 6.54 a.m.
A Foreign Office communiqué states that "Sir Francis Lindley,

MANY INJURED IN STORM.

WOMAN KILLED ON VOYAGE HOME.

Glasgow, Dec. 22.
A story of the heroism of a pantry steward when, in mid-Atlantic, a British liner was swept by a huge wave, which killed a woman passenger and injured 35 others, was told today.

The ship, the *Anchor Line* *Tuscania*, 17,000 tons, and she arrived at Glasgow early this morning from New York 30 hours late, after a buffeting by a violent storm last Wednesday.

The coolness and courage of the crew averted a panic among the 700 passengers, including many women and children.

The passenger killed was Mrs. Sarah Rodgers, aged 55, of Corran, Colerhine, Londonderry, Ireland, and seven of the 35 passengers hurt were injured seriously.

Cabins Flooded.

These seven were in the ship's hospital until her arrival in port. The *Tuscania* left New York on December 12 in fine weather, but after two days ran into storms, and was three times hoisted.

In a violent storm on Wednesday night she was struck by a huge wave, and a torrent swept along the deck and rushed down the alleyways, flooding the passengers' cabins and saloons. In some parts of the vessel the water was waist-deep.

Alarmed passengers scattered for safety, and officers and crew strove to allay their alarm.

Many women fainted. Those injured were rushed to the ship's hospital. The doctors and nursing staff were on duty all night.

Mrs. Rodgers was dashed by the water against the steel wall of an alleyway. She was saved from drowning by the saloon pantry steward, Mr. Thomas Brown, of Glasgow, but died from injuries on Saturday. She had been in frail health.

Steward's Story.

"When the wave broke aboard," said Mr. Brown, "the doors at the rear and of the alleyway burst open and a flood of water came sweeping down with a roar."

"The torrent swept us off our feet, and when I struggled to my feet the water was up to my waist."

"I heard a scream, and saw Mrs. Rodgers falling over. She was in danger of drowning, and I dashed along the alleyway to her rescue. She was lying half-stranded against the wall, and I dragged her to the companionway and fetched a doctor."

Worst for 20 Years.

A steward in the first-class dining saloon said: "It was the worst experience I have had during my 20 years at sea with the *Anchor Line*."

Captain Home, commander of the *Tuscania*, said: "I don't mind telling you that I had a nasty feeling when the wave burst on board. The women and children were in a state of hysteria. The officers and crew behaved splendidly."

Two concerts were organised, but it was not until morning that calm was really restored. There were many cases of hysteria during the night.

A second woman died on the voyage, but the *Anchor Line* state that she died from disease, and not from shock. She was Mrs. Aleshire, of Kirkcubrightshire.

A stowaway named Robert McMahon was to-day fined £7 10s. [Mrs. Rodgers was returning home for Christmas after being in the United States for 30 years. The body was landed at Belfast, where the funeral took place yesterday a few miles from where Mrs. Rodgers had hoped to spend Christmas.]

British Ambassador at Tokyo, informed the Japanese Foreign Minister on the 29th inst. that he had received instructions to call his attention to the dangers to which the lives and interests of British subjects were exposed by the recent Japanese action in Shanghai, and to protest against the use of the International Settlement as a base for attack.

"He also requested the Japanese Government to use every endeavour to restore normal conditions at the earliest possible moment."

"The Japanese Foreign Minister assured Sir Francis Lindley that he fully appreciated the anxiety of the British Government and that everything possible would be done not to endanger British lives and property, and that the International Settlement would not be used as a base for attack."—*Reuter*.

The Lytton Mission.

Geneva, Jan. 31, 2.39 a.m.
Lord Lytton has proposed that the members of the Manchurian Commission shall use the Trans-Siberian Railway to enable them to reach the Far East from 10 to 14 days earlier than by the Atlantic and Pacific routes.—*Reuter*.

LOCAL CRICKET.

CRAIGENGOWER MAKE BOLD BID.

By defeating the Kowloon C. C. on Saturday in the First Division of the League, Craigenower have consolidated their position, and are now favoured for the League Shield. They have played one match more than their rivals, the Indians, who are also in the race; but Craigenower have played the stronger teams up to date, while the Indians have still to meet Kowloon and the Hongkong Club.

FIRST DIVISION.

Craigenower Defeat Kowloon on Home Ground.

On the home ground, the Craigenower C.C. defeated the Kowloon C.C. by three wickets.

W. Hung treated the spectators to a fine display of hurricane hitting, gathering 41 runs in about ten minutes; and then he had the misfortune to sit on his wicket. He collected 20 runs in one over from Abbas.

The other batsmen after Hung offered no resistance to the bowling of Omar, who ran, and, and returned the splendid figures of eight wickets for 31 runs.

Craigenower started badly, and had six wickets down for 27 runs, when Hamson and Abbas pulled the game out of the fire. Hamson returned a catch to Burnett after he had scored 25 runs. R. Lee was undefeated with 35 runs at the close of play.

SECOND DIVISION.

Kowloon Seconds Turn Tables on Craigenower Seconds.

Playing on the Kowloon C. C. ground, the Craigenower Juniors were badly defeated by the home team by ten wickets.

Overly was the cause of the collapse of the Craigenower batsmen, bowling splendidly to return the analysis of five wickets for eight runs. Sourbats alone faced the bowling with confidence, gathering 20 runs. They were all dismissed for 55 runs.

F. S. W. Smith (32) and C. F. Wood (35) enabled the K. C. C. to pass their opponents total without the loss of a wicket. When time intervened, the K. C. C. had 112 runs for seven wickets.

POKFULUM MATCH.

University Defeated by Recreation.

At Pokfulum, the Club de Recreation defeated the University by 92 runs.

Recreation were in a bad way when seven of their wickets had fallen for only 47 runs, but Figueroa came to their help with a bright knock for 55 runs, undefeated, and changed the complexion of the game. Recreation eventually totalled 154 runs for nine wickets. F. H. Carvalho was undefeated with 21 runs.

The University batsmen failed against the steady bowling of Pereira, Gutierrez and Figueroa, and were all dismissed for 92 runs. P. L. Tan (25 not out) and Yanyaboy (24), however, offered some opposition towards the end.

A DRAWN GAME.

Ronan's Splendid All-Round Work For Borderers.

Time only saved the Civil Service from defeat at the hands of the South Wales Borderers, on the Civil Service ground.

The Borderers totalled 145 runs, towards which Pte. Ronan contributed 41 not out, and L. C. Addison 32.

The Civil Service batsmen collapsed against the bowling of Ronan (5 for 19), and at the close of play had nine wickets down for 82 runs.

FRIENDLY MATCHES.

Pearce and Hancock Trounce Bowlers.

The annual encounter on the Hongkong Club ground between members over thirty and members under thirty ended in a win for the veterans by 29 runs.

"Tam" Pearce and R. Hancock saved the veterans by scoring 32 runs each. "Mr. Extras" yielded 39 runs. The Over Thirties totalled 177 runs. The Under Thirties managed 148. Richardson getting 67 runs and J. Barrow 23. Mirehouse bowled well to capture seven wickets for 36 runs.

Royal Navy Outplayed.

At King's Park, the University drew with the Royal Navy, time saving the Navy from defeat. The University batsmen took full toll of the bowling and declared with two wickets down for 200 runs. Anderson scored 92; A. M. Rodrigues 50; E. L. Gosano 45 not out and Ride 89 not out.

The Navy had 65 runs for nine wickets when time intervened. A Baker took four wickets for 12 runs and Anderson four for 14 runs.

Drawn Game At Sookumpoo.

Playing on the military ground at Sookumpoo, the Royal Army Service Corps contested a drawn game with the Indian R. C. second eleven. The Indians batting first totalled 152 runs, towards which A. R. H. Esmail contributed 55, A. R. Saffad 29 and A. M. Rumbhah 35 not out. The military side had scored 76 runs for the loss of three wickets when stumps were drawn.

Match Postponed.

The League Match between the Indian 1st XI and the Royal Artillery was postponed.

RADIO BROADCAST

EUROPEAN PROGRAMME OF RECORDED MUSIC.

By Z. B. W. on a wavelength of 355 metres.
5.00-7.00 p.m. Chinese Programme.
7.00-10.30 p.m. European Programme of Columbia Records.

7.00 p.m. Stock Quotations, Mail Notices, etc.
7.05-8.00 p.m. A Concert.

Band-Robin Adair-With Variations (Hartmann).
Band-The Old Folks at Home-With Variations (Rimmer).

St. Hilda Colliery Prize Band, 2347R.
Vocal Duet-The Little Irish Girl (Teuchiescher and Lebr).

Vocal Duets-(a) To my First Love (b) You'd Better Ask Me (Lover and Lebr).

Dora Labbette and Hubert Elsdell. DB431.
Piano Solo-Three Dances in Syncopation (Mazur) (a) English Dance (b) Cricket Dance (c) Harmonica Dance.

Billy Mayel. DB46.
Vocal Quartette-Olaf Trilvason (Reisiger).

Vocal Quartette-Song of the Volga Boatmen (Kedroff).
Kedroff Male Quartette. 9344.

Violin Solo-Minuet (Beethoven).
Violin Solo-Chant Hindou (Rimsky-Korsakov and Kremler).

Bernard Reille. 3985.
Song-Jane (O'Reilly and Barker).
Song-Phyllida (Fisher).

Eric Greene (Tenor). DB540.
Flute Duet-Pizzicato Pierrette (Gennin).

Jean and Pierre Gennin with the Bournemouth Municipal Orchestra. DB291.
Piano Solo-Andante and Rondo Capriccioso (Mendelssohn).

Irene Scharrer. DB306.
8.00 p.m. Local Time and Weather Report.

8.04-8.40 p.m. Operatic.
The Wreckers-Overture (Dane Ethel Smyth).

Dame Ethel Smyth conducting The British Symphony Orch. DX287.
The Magic Flute-The Manly Heart (Mozart).

Miriam Licette and Dennis Noble. 9603.
Marianne-Selection (Wallace arr. Billece).

Bert Ralton and His Havana Band. 9111.
Lohengrin-Lohengrin's Narration (Wagner).

William Heulene (Tenor). 9127.
Carmen-Entrée (Bizet).

The Band of the Garde Republicaine of France. 9501.
8.30-9.03 p.m. Orchestral.

Norman-Overture (Bullin). DB74.
Milan Symphony Orchestra. DB74.
Waltzes from Vienna-Waltz Selection (J. Strauss).

London Theatre Orch. DX286.
Serenade (Costa).

Spanish Serenade (Margutti).
Circolo Mandolinistico Giuseppe Verdi (a) Concerto in G minor (b) Concerto in D minor (c) Concerto in A minor (d) Concerto in E minor (e) Concerto in F minor (f) Concerto in G minor (g) Concerto in A minor (h) Concerto in E minor (i) Concerto in F minor (j) Concerto in G minor (k) Concerto in A minor (l) Concerto in E minor (m) Concerto in F minor (n) Concerto in G minor (o) Concerto in A minor (p) Concerto in E minor (q) Concerto in F minor (r) Concerto in G minor (s) Concerto in A minor (t) Concerto in E minor (u) Concerto in F minor (v) Concerto in G minor (w) Concerto in A minor (x) Concerto in E minor (y) Concerto in F minor (z) Concerto in G minor (aa) Concerto in A minor (ab) Concerto in E minor (ac) Concerto in F minor (ad) Concerto in G minor (ae) Concerto in A minor (af) Concerto in E minor (ag) Concerto in F minor (ah) Concerto in G minor (ai) Concerto in A minor (aj) Concerto in E minor (ak) Concerto in F minor (al) Concerto in G minor (am) Concerto in A minor (an) Concerto 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ENJOYABLE NIGHT AT PENINSULA.

The Youth's Frolic Dance, held at the Peninsula Hotel on Saturday last, might be considered one of the best successes of the season. The Rose Room was filled to capacity, and radiated a joyful atmosphere seldom found at carnival balls.

The races provided the greatest thrills and fun. The egg-and-spoon competition was won by Miss Focken, the sack jumping race by Lt. Keith Murray, and the balloon dance by Mr. Beatty and Mrs. Pyeatt. Appreciated prizes were distributed to the respective winners.

Altogether it was a very enjoyable evening, which it is hoped the management of the Peninsula Hotel will not be late in repeating.

Among those present were noticed:—Capt. and Mrs. Molr, Capt. and Mrs. Dunlop, Capt. B. M. Ede, Mrs. Powys Maurice, Comd. and Mrs. Majendle, Mr. and Mrs. Bourne, Miss Focken, Capt. Wallace, Lt. Church, Lt. Graham, Lt. Keith-Murray, Mr. Shrubsole, Mrs. Haygood, Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths, Mr. I. D. Lenox, Miss Hynes, Mr. Morris Stranack, Mrs. Gibb, Miss J. Stranack, Lt. S.A.M. Elze R.N., Lt. C. Price, R.N., Mr. F. Mathew, Mr. and Mrs. Pyeatt, Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Beatty, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Newman, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Hall, Gen. M. A. Cohen, Lt. and Mrs. Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, Mr. W. J. Kelly, Mr. H. C. Pound, Mr. Goach, Miss Kelly, Lt. Comd. and Mrs. Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Simonetta, Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder, and many others.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Sunday, January 24. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel paid an informal visit to the child welfare centre maintained by the St. John Ambulance Brigade at Kam Tin in the New Territories.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel gave a small luncheon party at the Hunters' Arms, Fanling, and afterwards attended the race meeting at Kowloon.

Monday, January 25. His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by the Hon. Dr. Wellington, inspected the Young Wo Hospital, where he was received by Dr. Lee Shu Fan and his fellow Directors.

Tuesday, January 26. His Excellency the Governor, carried out the Annual Inspection of the South China Athletic Association ground at Soek-poo, and presented the trophies. Lady Peel also attended the parade.

Wednesday, January 27. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel, accompanied by the Hon. Mr. B. T. Cressy, D. P.W., made a tour of inspection of the new Shing Mun water scheme.

Lady Peel attended the Annual Speech Day at St. Stephen's Girls' College, and presented the prizes.

Thursday, January 28. His Excellency the Governor presided at the meeting of the Executive and Legislative Councils.

His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Mr. G. W. A. Tufon, Private Secretary, dined with Lt. Col. S. C. Bennett and the Officers, 93rd Highlanders, at Shamshuipo.

Lady Peel gave a small dinner party at Government House.

Friday, January 29. The Hon. Mr. Hallifax and Sir Robert Ho Tung had an interview with His Excellency the Governor, with reference to the proposed infant welfare scheme in the New Territories.

Saturday, January 30. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel attended the Annual Dance of the Machine Gun Company, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

JAPAN'S MOVE ON HARBIN.

A CLASH WITH OLD REGIME TROOPS.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 4 p.m.
A Japanese force clashed with "Ting Chao" troops in the neighbourhood of Harbin at dawn this morning and suffered a loss of 21 Japanese killed and 35 wounded.

It is learned that the transportation of Japanese troops to Harbin was finally facilitated as the result of the Soviet agreeing to the use of the southern section of the Chinese Eastern Railway, according to despatches from Mukden.—*Reuter*.

Other reports say that Japanese aeroplanes dropped bombs on Harbin on Saturday.

LOSS OF THE M2.

VESSEL "MUST BE FOUND."

London, Jan. 31.
"The submarine M2 must be found at all costs" is the latest Admiralty instruction concerning the search for the sunken vessel.

Every square mile of West Bay, Portsmouth, has been dragged for obstructions and a number of those found have been marked and will be investigated.—*Reuter's Special Service*.

The British submarine Rainbow which went aground on the Isle of Wight last week was refloated with high tide. The ship suffered no serious damage.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS SUCCESS.

NEW PROGRAMME TO BE PUT-ON TO-NIGHT.

A visit to Harmston's circus, which is operating on the old Wee Golf course beside the Peninsula Hotel, shows at once why such large and enthusiastic crowds have thronged the big tent night after night. The excellence of the entertainment offered, combining all the best numbers of the "sawdust ring," would draw such crowds anywhere, and the popular support which was forthcoming on the opening night has been maintained to an extraordinary degree.

Last night there was hardly a seat to spare and this, in spite of the fact that the same programme has been running since the commencement, a week ago. Last night's show wound up the first programme presented, and there will be a change to-night which looks, from an advance programme, if anything, better than that already given.

There was not a dull moment from the beginning until the end last night and the talented entertainers were warmly applauded for their efforts, which both pleased and thrilled their audience.

Similar success greeted the matinee given on Saturday afternoon, when there was only standing room left, and not much of that, before the show started. A large proportion of the audience were children who gave every evidence of thoroughly enjoying themselves.

New Programme.

The new programme, in which Little Peter will do his special riding features, is appended, but is subject to slight alterations. Overture ... By the Circus Band
Vaulting ... Miss Moskovich
Wire Juggling ... O. Delroy
High School ... W. Harmston
Trapeze ... Miss Moskovich
Eccentric Equestrian ... Little Peter

Entrée Combi ... Bill and Chocolate
Double Jockey ... Millie & Jack Williams
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Intermission.

Overture ... By the Circus Band
Pol Pourrie Trapeze ... Moskovich Family
Trick Cyclists ... Delroy, Kitty & Charlie
Two Horses ... Introduced by H. Harmston

Ladder ... By the Ladies & Gentlemen
2 Elephants & 2 Ponies ... Introduced by H. Harmston
Comic Entrée ... Little Peter & Tony

Our Pets from the Jungle ... Introduced by A. Turkey
The night shows start at 9.15 and matinees will be given during the Chinese New Year holidays, commencing on February 6 (Saturday).—*B. B.*

DEVELOPMENT OF CAN INDUSTRY.

OPENING OF NEW FACTORY AT KENNEDY TOWN.

With the object of developing the tin can-making trade in South China, the newly established China Can Company Limited, officially opened their new factory at No. 2, Davis Street, Kennedy Town, on Saturday afternoon. There was a large attendance.

The factory is a large establishment wherein special attention has been paid to the welfare of those employed. In time it is anticipated that a school and hospital for the benefit of the workers will be founded.

Throughout, the machinery is of modern type and is capable of a very large output. It is based on the experience of Mr. Yuen, who has spent six years in travelling all over China making a study of the conditions generally and paying particular attention to the can manufacturing business.

The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau performed the opening ceremony, when he expressed thanks to the Directors of the Company for their hearty welcome and for the excellent entertainment on behalf of the visitors.

An interesting talk in Chinese was delivered by Mr. Yip King-fan, Chairman of the Board of Directors, who also thanked the guests for their attendance, and afterwards a short address was delivered by the manager, Mr. John W. Y. Yuen, when he stated it was his ambition that the factory should be conducted on the lines of a family house, with all the employees as members of a big happy family.

The factory will turn out containers of all sorts, also signboards, crown corks, toys, tin novelties, etc.

BRITISH TARIFFS.

PROPOSED FOREIGN TEA TAX.

London, Jan. 30.
The suggestion that Government reimpose a duty on foreign tea, at the same time guaranteeing Empire-grown tea by a minimum preference to encourage development of tea production within the Empire is contained in a letter of the British Empire Producers' Organisation to Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

The letter says that the incursion of low-grade Java tea has struck a very severe blow to an Empire industry.

The case for restoration of duty was made out by tea-growers in Ceylon, India, Kenya, Nyasaland, South Africa, Tanganyika and other Empire countries.—*Reuter*.

Prosperity Ahead.

London, Jan. 31.
The improving trade outlook which has been the marked feature of the speeches of the chairmen of Britain's big five banks has been borne out by the extraordinary volume of business now being transacted by the majority of the banks in London.

The extra business is so considerable that it is causing bank clerks considerable discomfort, as they are forced to work longer hours.

Bank officials say that this is a regular sign that trade is on the up grade and that the prospect of prosperous times is ahead.—*Reuter's Special Service*.

CHILDREN'S PARTY.

ENJOYABLE EVENING AT DOCKYARD.

The children of members of the Dockyard Recreation Club spent an enjoyable afternoon on Saturday at a Children's Winter Party held in the Sail Loft of the Dockyard, which was decorated for the occasion with flags and bunting and brilliantly lighted.

Games of all kinds, organised by Mr. S. C. Robinson, ably assisted by Messrs. Ursell, Hickey, Hell and Hutter, kept the gathering in good humour, and provided the children with excellent fun. A Chinese Punch and Judy Show also attracted a good deal of attention.

An event which was very much enjoyed was the Farmyard story told by Mr. Robinson, and in which the children, who had been assigned the names of different animals, had to make the noise peculiar to each animal.

Tea was served during the afternoon, and was enjoyed by both the kiddies and adults. After that Mrs. Walker, wife of the commodore, presented each child with a small present.

At 9 p.m. a dance was held in the Sail Loft for grown-ups, and a merry time was spent to the jazz band of H.M.S. Cumberland.

LESSON SERMON.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONGKONG.

"Love" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, yesterday.

The Golden Text was—"Be perfect, be of good comfort; be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you." (1 Cor. 13; 11.)

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible—"Beloved, let us love one another: for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love." (1 John 4; 7, 8.)

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health," by Mary Baker Eddy—"People go into ecstasies over the sense of a corporeal Jehovah, though with scarcely a spark of love in their hearts, yet God is Love, and without Love, God, immortality cannot appear. Mortals believe in a finite personal God; while God is Infinite Love, which must be unlimited. (p. 312.)"

IRISH FREE STATE.

PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED FOR ELECTION.

Dublin, Jan. 30.
The Dail Eireann, the Irish Free State Parliament, was dissolved by proclamation to-day. A General Election will be held. Nomination day has been fixed for February 8, and polling will take place on February 16.—*Reuter*.

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Mr. Arthur Henderson looking fit, in spite of his recent illness, arrived here to-day to preside at the Disarmament Conference to be held on February 2.His speech, during the opening Conference on Tuesday, will be broadcast all over Britain.
Mr. Henderson was invited to preside at the Conference, when he was Foreign Secretary in Britain's last Labour Government. When he resigned office it was expected he would decline the invitation, but that has not been the case. He is now not even a member of the British Parliament.

Postponement Discussed.

Geneva, Jan. 30.
International representatives are discussing the question of postponing the Disarmament Conference after Mr. Henderson's opening speech in order to give the League Council a few more days in which to deal with the Far East situation. *Reuter.*

GEMS OF PERIL.

(Continued from Page 3.)

For two hours she laboured over the heap of paper scraps, fitting them together expertly, until she had the finished poster. It was almost impossible to gain a clear idea of the man's looks until another hour's labour had succeeded in pasting the scraps in place. But beyond a doubt it was De Loma—a younger De Loma, almost a boy, in fact. The same thin, hawk-like face, the beady black eyes, the arrogant head. He wore a white shirt open at the neck, and white trousers curiously clipped in at the ankles, as if for bicycle riding, and what appeared to be a pair of old tennis shoes. The curiousness of this get-up was heightened by his pose—arms folded across the chest, the feet at right angles in the "first position" of the ballet dancer.

Below was printed: "Harry Hill, the Human Fly." Mary pondered this for some time. The name was not familiar, and she had no idea what a "human fly" was. Leaving it for Bates' interpretation, she went up on deck.

Night had settled down as she joined the rest of the party, grouped on the main deck just forward of Mr. Jupiter's cabin. A half mile or so to the east, gleaming clearly in the moonlight, the prison rose abruptly out of the sea. A gold moon swam in the deep blue tropical sky. The whole scene was like a vivid lithograph or a highly coloured postcard picture. Louise was talking as Mary joined the group, describing an old castle she had visited the year before. "It had the most marvellous stained glass windows, made in Italy by the monks during the Renaissance and transported over the mountains on donkeys. I remember particularly a deep crimson—the glass was so finely coloured it looked like precious stone."

She turned to Mary.
"What reminded me of it were your rubies. What have you done with them? Do you have them on the yacht? I should love just to look at them again."

"I have them here," Mr. Jupiter spoke up, before Mary could decide what answer to make to this

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Honolulu, Jan. 30.

An arrangement, approved of by the United States Secretary of State, has been reached whereby the prisoners in the Kahahawai murder trial will be released on probation and under the supervision of Admiral Sterling, but, at the same time, remaining within the jurisdiction of the court.

Bail for Mrs. Fortescue has been fixed at \$5,000, and for the other prisoners at \$2,500.

The prisoners were handed over to the police last night, pending settlement of details. *Reuter.*

[The case referred to is that in which Mrs. Fortescue, Lieutenant Masie and two others were charged with the murder of an Hawaiian, said to be the ring-leader of a gang of toughs and who was accused of an outrage on Mrs. Masie. The dead man was tried on the charge but acquitted, and the defendants in the present case are alleged to have taken the law into their own hands.]

amazing request. He reached into the pocket of his dinner jacket and pulled them out, holding them up to the eyes of the others. There were several sharply drawn breaths at the unexpected glory of the stones.

"Try 'em on, Mary, do," he urged. "It's a sight worth seeing."

He told the others with naïve pride. He rose and laid them in her hands. Fumbling with nervousness, Mary reached up to fasten them about her neck, but they slipped from her fingers. She made a frantic grab for them, but only succeeded in striking them with her hand. They fell flashing into the sea.

"You fool!" Oh, you fool!" De Loma screamed at her insanely. "Now see what you've done!"
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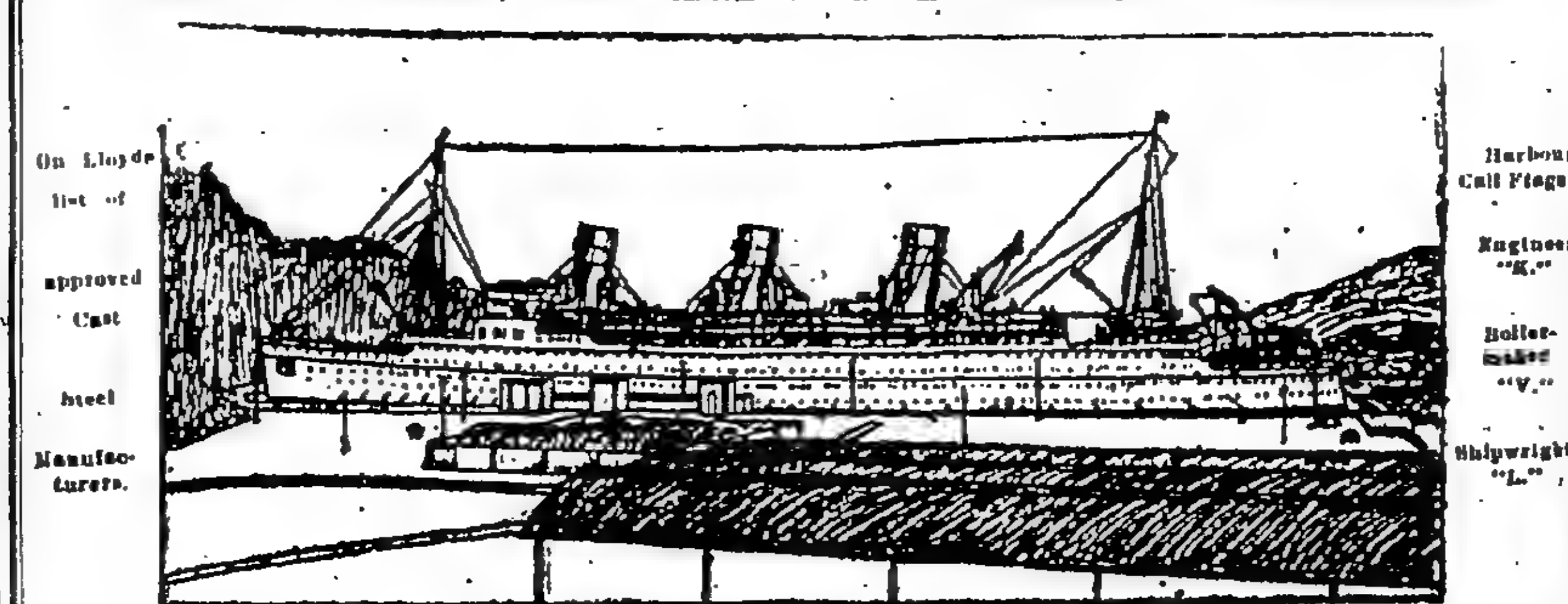
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PISTOL UNDER CLOAK.

A pretty girl seated at a typewriter tapped out a love tragedy of the sea at an inquest held in Southampton.

It was the story of cabin-16, C deck, in the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's liner Asturias, told by many witnesses to Mr. A. H. Emmanuel, the Southampton coroner, whose girl clerk swiftly typed the sad tale as it was told.

Tapping, relentlessly tapping, the machine recorded how Phoebe Sorel, a beautiful woman of 37, loved and laughed and danced to her death because she had lived her life, and life offered her no more.

Shortly after midnight on November 24, when the ship was slowly moving to anchorage in Cherbourg Harbour, Phoebe Sorel shot herself with a black, stubby, double-barrelled pistol. The bullet entered her left side, well below the heart, and she died of the wound in a Southampton nursing home.

Born in France, Phoebe Sorel became a naturalised citizen of the United States, and she lived at Park-lane, Douglas Town, Long Island, New York, where she had established a reputation as a costume designer. "I see from her passport that she had travelled much," remarked the coroner.

She had, during recent years, sailed the seas in luxurious liners, and it was while she was voyaging to South America in the R.M.S.P. Araguaya that she met and fell in love with Second Officer Stanley Joseph George Hill, whom she had first met in New York in 1929. This fair, slender, young officer, who was married in May of last year and lives at Tonbridge, Kent, told in a low voice of the infatuation of Phoebe Sorel, while the typewriter tapped out an experience lived in heart-bents.

"I think that she must have been in love with me," he told the coroner, "but I did not return her love. I told her when we met in the Araguaya in 1929."

"Did she threaten to do you any harm?" prompted the coroner. The officer nodded. "When I saw her in the Asturias returning from Buenos Aires I asked her why she was in the ship again, and she replied that it was not my business."

"I asked her if she was going to make mischief, as the crew were speaking about it, and she replied: 'Yes; they will have something to speak about.' I asked her to go away and leave me alone, and she

SHANGHAI BUND BRIDGE UNDER FIRE.



Picture shows the Garden Bridge, on the Shanghai Bund, which came under fire from a Japanese warship during the week-end, on the pretext that the Bridge was hiding snipers. In the background is seen the Astor House Hotel, which was the scene of sniping last night.

remarked: "Yes, and let you off scot-free."

Telling of the night of the last dance, the officer said he had just come off his watch and was going to his cabin when he saw Phoebe Sorel with the third officer. "I said, 'Hallo, what are you doing here?' She looked wild, and, noticing her hands concealed under her evening cloak, I took her by the shoulders and from under her cloak took a pistol. She was very excited, and shouted: 'Give me back my property.' When the chief officer came I unloaded the pistol and returned it to her. 'You fool,' she cried; 'I've got others.'"

A Distracted Woman.

Phoebe Sorel went to her cabin, a distraught woman in white, taking the pistol with her.

Now the typewriter tapped out the night watchman's story. "At half-past twelve," he said, "I heard moans and groans in cabin 16, the door of which was locked. I called another watchman, and we tried to open the door with a pass key, but the cabin key was in the lock."

The moans continued, and Miss Sorel called out, "I cannot get to the door; my legs are gone."

She, however, crawled to the door and unlocked it, for when Dr. Syer Barrington White, the ship's medical officer, arrived she was lying in the alleyway between her cabin and the door, her white evening dress stained with blood.

"Why did you do this?" asked the doctor, as he examined the

wound. "Because I don't wish to live," whispered Phoebe Sorel.

On the arrival of the Asturias at Southampton Miss Sorel was taken to a nursing home, where she died. Among her effects, handed over by the pursers, were several letters, from which the coroner read such extracts as went to show that she contemplated suicide.

"I Lived My Life."

From an undated letter he read, "My dear George—Life was meant to be lived, and I lived it. Now I am going out. Good-bye to all. Thanks for the flowers."

From another letter, dated November 18, the coroner read: "My dear John—am sending you what is left of my estate. I am making my will in favour of your daughter. I lived my life and find it is time to go, so good-bye and bless you all."

In another letter written in French was the passage: "Life has been very hard to me. Your Tanagra figure will be at the bottom of the ocean."

The coroner, returning a verdict of Suicide while insane, said he was satisfied that Phoebe Sorel intended to shoot the ship's officer and was thwarted. "I am satisfied," he concluded, "that she intended to shoot herself and that she was of unsound mind at the time."

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(SPECIAL TO THE "TELEGRAPH").

Shanghai, Feb. 1. NEWS OF THE IMPENDING arrival of American troops from Manila and British troops from Hongkong has had an instant reaction among foreigners. A distinct feeling of nervousness that the forces at present in Shanghai would be insufficient in the event of a worsening of the situation has been prevailing for the past two days. This nervousness was completely relieved when it was learned that Washington and London were both moving actively.

Four American destroyers from Manila, the U.S.S. Paul Jones, U.S.S. Edsall, U.S.S. Bulmer and U.S.S. Parrott arrived from Manila this morning.

They got in despite a heavy fog. There was some doubt as to whether they could risk the navigation of the Yangtze Mouth, but the commander of the flotilla decided to make the attempt and all arrived safely.

One has now been posted to protect the Shanghai Power Station, one is lying in the stream off the Shanghai Club, one is upstream near the Dollar Wharf, and the other is at the Socony installation, refuelling before proceeding to Hankow.—*Reuter*.

FALSE ALARM OF NEW ENGAGEMENT.

OUTBREAK OF FIRING LAST NIGHT SOON DIES DOWN.

Shanghai, Feb. 1. ALTHOUGH THE INTENSITY of the firing justified the assumption, the report that real battle had renewed has been proved, by subsequent events, to be a false alarm.

The firing began to die down within fifteen minutes of its commencement, and it appears that the activity was not due to a severe engagement, but to a brief determined effort by the Japanese machine-gunners to put the numerous snipers out of action.—*Reuter*.

WAR DECLARATION REPORT DENIED.

Nanking, Feb. 1. An emphatic denial of the report that the Nanking Government has decided to declare war against Japan is made by a Government spokesman, who reiterates that the Chinese Government is respecting the anti-war pacts and the decision of the League of Nations to settle the problem by peaceful methods.

But, he said, if the Japanese continue their acts of aggression, the Government is determined to make a supreme sacrifice and will offer the strongest resistance.

General Chiang Kai-shek, Mr. Wang Ching-wei and Mr. Lin Sen, passed through Hsuehchow yesterday. They will confer at Loyang with Chang Hsueh-liang regarding the despatch of Manchurian troops to the South. Marshal Feng Yuxiang has arrived at Shanghai to join in the direction of military operations against the Japanese.

Chiang Kai-shek has established his military headquarters on the Tientsin-Pukow Railway and large contingents of Nanking troops are making war preparations there. Long distance telephone communication with Nanking is being installed by the soldiers.—*Reuter*.

ARGYLLS UNDER ORDERS.

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An official statement from the Military Headquarters

STRAY INCIDENTS.

BOMB IN COURTYARD OF CHURCH.

One stray bomb from a Japanese air raid fell into the courtyard of the Young Allen Methodist Church, doing slight damage.

CRACK TROOPS IN NANKING.

JAPANESE CONSUL'S ASSURANCE.

Nanking, Jan. 31. Thirty thousand men of the famous National Guards are arriving from Honan to-night.

They are said to be the finest troops in China, specially trained as Chiang Kai-shek's crack division, and equipped with smart green uniforms and German automatic rifles.

It is learned that they are to be stationed in Nanking, their special duty being to defend the city from possible attack from the Japanese warships in Nanking.

Japanese Request.

The Japanese Consul-General called upon the acting Mayor of Nanking to-day and stated that although the Japanese had concentrated seven warships at Nanking they would not attack the city.

He expressed the hope that the Chinese troops would refrain from hostile action in order to avoid an unfortunate occurrence similar to the events at Shanghai.

Sandbag barricades which had been erected in various parts of the city this morning were later removed in order to avoid possible misunderstanding.—*Reuter*.

NANKING EXODUS.

Nanking, Feb. 1, 1 p.m. Residents of Nanking are highly nervous of a Japanese attack, and thousands, mainly women and children have been leaving this morning by the Nanking-Shanghai Railway for Shanghai and Hangchow. Passages are being booked ahead and all trains are fully engaged until the 5th. Chinese apprehensions have been further increased by the arrival for further Japanese gunboats. As a result of the exodus, the Nanking-Shanghai Railway ran seven special trains to-day.

Strong rumours which prevailed of an impending Japanese aerial attack on Nanking failed to materialise.—*Reuter*.

MOVEMENTS OF DIPLOMATS.

MR. SHIGEMITSU IN SHANGHAI.

Peking, Jan. 31. Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister to China, who was prevented from taking his holiday owing to the Chinese Eastern Railway trouble, is returning to Peking from Dairen and will probably confer with Mr. Johnson, the United States Minister, at Tientsin this afternoon.

He is due in Peking to-night.—*Reuter*.

Shanghai, Jan. 31. Mr. Shigemitsu, the Japanese Minister to China, has returned to Shanghai from Tokyo.—*Reuter*.

Another bomb struck the China Merchant's wharf in French Town, injuring Chinese employees on the premises.

Company "I" of the Shanghai Volunteer Corps was isolated from other Settlement troops for a time by cross-fire between Chinese and Japanese.

A British member of this company was wounded by Chinese snipers.

Japanese marines fired upon an armoured car belonging to the Settlement police, but later apologised, declaring that they mistook the identity of the car.

BRITISH "WAR" CABINET.

ANXIOUS STUDY OF SITUATION.

London, Feb. 1. Developments in the situation at Shanghai are being watched in London with grave concern.

The anxiety was increased when late last night further breaches of the armistice were recorded and renewal of fighting was feared.

The Prime Minister and the Secretary for Foreign Affairs, Sir John Simon, are being kept fully informed, and this morning an important conference was held. At its conclusion, the following communique was issued:—

A meeting was held this morning at No. 10, Downing Street at which the following were present, the Prime Minister, the Chief of the Exchequer, the Foreign Secretary, the First Lord of the Admiralty, the Chief of the Imperial General Staff, Field Marshal Sir George Milne, and Sir Robert Vansittart.

The situation at Shanghai was discussed and the military and naval position was considered. "In addition to the three batta-

lions already at Shanghai, namely the Scots Fusiliers, the Lincoln and the Wiltshires, it was decided to despatch a warship from Hongkong carrying a further battalion of Infantry and a Battery of Artillery in response to a request from Brigadier Fleming for reinforcements."

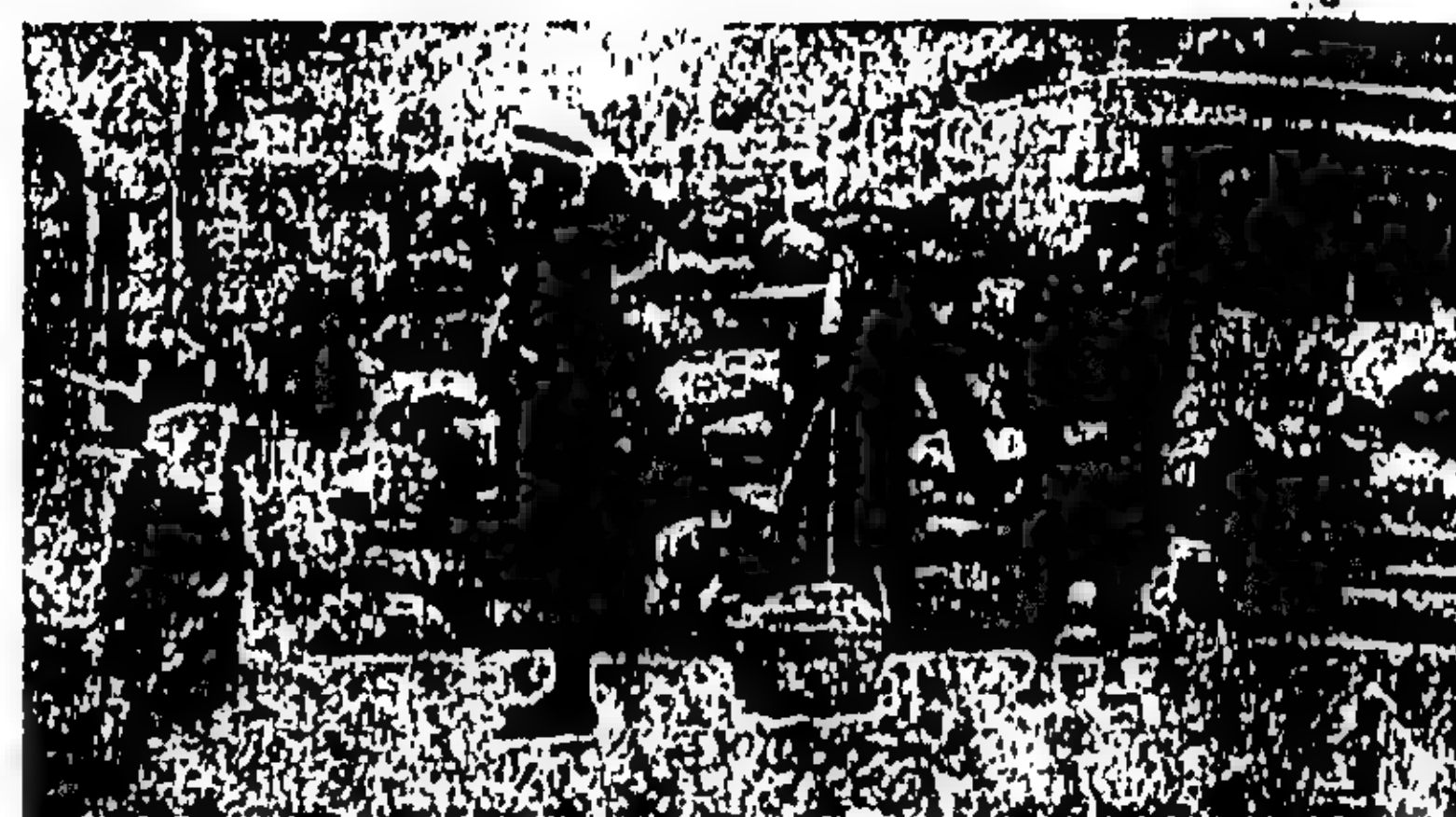
The naval force at Shanghai consisting at present of H.M.S. Cornwall and H.M.S. Sandwich, together with two gunboats, will shortly be reinforced by the arrival of H.M.S. Kent from Batavia, H.M.S. Suffolk from Hongkong was due to arrive yesterday.

Shanghai Meeting.

"At a meeting held at Shanghai, which was presided over by the British Consul-General, Mr. Brennan, and at which the American Consul-General was also present, together with the Japanese and Chinese Commanders, it was proposed to establish a neutral zone between the Chinese and Japanese troops to be occupied by troops of the neutral Powers which have forces in the International Settlement."

The British Consul-General has now been informed that the necessary arrangements should be made for British Troops to co-operate if the neutral zone can be established, and the United States Government is being asked to take similar action.

The British Government are also urging the Japanese and



Chinese gendarmes guarding one of the sandbag barricades erected in the vicinity of Chapel.



A moment of leisure for British troops on guard at a barricade.

Chinese Governments to accept the scheme for a neutral zone and to issue immediate instructions to their troops accordingly.—*British Wireless*.

CHINESE EXPECT BATTLE.

CHIANG'S EXTENSIVE REINFORCEMENTS.

Shanghai, Feb. 1. Chinese sources state that the next few days may see a grim struggle between the Chinese and Japanese as Chiang Kai-shek's picked regiments are pouring down from Honan, Hupeh and Anhui. It is almost certain that Manchurian troops will be sent to Shanghai.—*Reuter*.

LATEST U.S. NOTE OF PROTEST.

ARMY CONTINGENT FOR SHANGHAI.

Washington, Jan. 31. The Shanghai situation is causing the utmost concern to the White House.

President Hoover to-day summoned the highest officials of the State Department and the Navy Department for a conference to-day, and it is believed that a definite line of action was decided upon.

United States Army regular forces have been ordered to Shanghai and President Hoover is expected to make a statement shortly regarding the decision to despatch them.

Latest Note.

Meanwhile, the United States Government has sent another Note of protest to Japan, based upon the broad principle of the violation of international rights through the Japanese invasion of Shanghai.

It is assumed in Washington that the British Government will take similar action.—*Reuter*.

SWATOW DISQUIET.

JAPANESE SHOPS CLOSED DOWN.

Regarding the persistent rumours of a Sino-Japanese clash at Swatow, it is learned that tension is high following repeated protests by the Japanese Consular authorities to the Swatow Municipal Government, complaining about strong anti-Japanese comments in Swatow newspapers.

The Japanese Consul demanded the suspension of one of the Chinese journals, but no action was taken to meet the desires of the Consul. The Japanese residents are now concentrating. Nearly all Japanese shops and hotels located in Chinese districts have closed down, pending an improvement in the situation.

The officer commanding the Second Independent Division has enforced martial law. There are two Japanese gunboats in Swatow.

Amoy Demands.

It is learned from Amoy that the military authorities have ordered the temporary suspension of the *Mts Kuo Jih Pao*, the Kuomintang organ, on the demand of the Japanese Consul.

The Journal published the "famous" Kuomintang Revolutionary Declaration. It is appealing against the decision to the Kuomintang Provincial Kuomintang.

HEAVY JAPANESE CASUALTIES.

LORRIES LOADED WITH SOLDIERS UNDER DIRECT SHELL-FIRE.

SPORADIC FIGHTING ON ALL NIGHT.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT).

Shanghai, Feb. 1, 10.06 a.m. FOUR LORRY-LOADS of Japanese soldiers were annihilated yesterday, according to information derived from dependable channels.

The lorries, carrying reinforcements and reliefs for marines who have been constantly in action in the vicinity of the Shanghai North Station for more than twenty-four hours, were fired upon at point blank range by a Chinese battery, and very few of the occupants escaped alive.

The Japanese are continuing their drive in Hongkew against snipers, who have been doing effective work. Japanese marines, according to reliable reports, yesterday executed 150 Chinese snipers who were taken prisoners during the previous day.

The Astor House Hotel, belonging to the Hongkong and Shanghai Hotels, was the scene of sniping last night.

Firing went on all through the night in Hongkew in the course of the Japanese operations against the snipers. Machine-guns were kept trained on the central district.

Artillery fire was exchanged across the Chapei border-lines by both forces during the night.

AMERICAN YOUTH "ARRESTED".

K. Johnson, an American youth, residing at No. 2, Scott Road, near the Hongkew Rifle Range and the Thomas Hanbury School for Boys, was reported to have been arrested by the Japanese yesterday. The American Consul-General lodged a protest. The Japanese claim that Johnson was not arrested but charge that he did a little private sniping from his home which the Japanese raided.

All thoroughfares in the International Settlement to-day are alive with frightened people carrying their personal chattels.

The curfew order will be effective from ten p.m. until 4 a.m. to-night.

Mr. Cunningham, the American Consul-General, has cabled to Washington asking the Government to provide additional American forces.

DOLLAR RISES A FARTHING.

MARKET NOT VERY STRONG.

The Hongkong dollar advanced a farthing this morning, the demand rate being 1s. 5 1/16d. There is, however, very little actual business, and silver at the moment does not appear very strong. The Shanghai market is nominal. Silver rose 3.16ths in London for spot and forward, the Continent being small buyers. There were small offerings, and the market was quiet. The New York market is unchanged.

LOCAL ESTATES.

KOWLOON RESIDENT LEAVES \$398,000.

Local estate to the value of \$398,700 was left by the late Lam (or Lum) Heung (or Heong)-Jun, alias Lam Pin (or Ping-cheong (or cheung), alias Lam Heung, who died at No. 2, Tak Shing Street, Kowloon, on September 16, last year. Probate of the will, which contains family bequests, has been granted to Lam Ngok, elder sister, and Lam Wan-yee, nephew, both of the Tak Shing Street address.

The late Luk Loh-hing, who died at Ha Kau Village, Nam Ho District, Kwangtung, on October 1, 1931, has left an estate valued at \$11,400.

DISARMAMENT CONFERENCE TO GO ON.

WORLD BROADCAST ARRANGED.

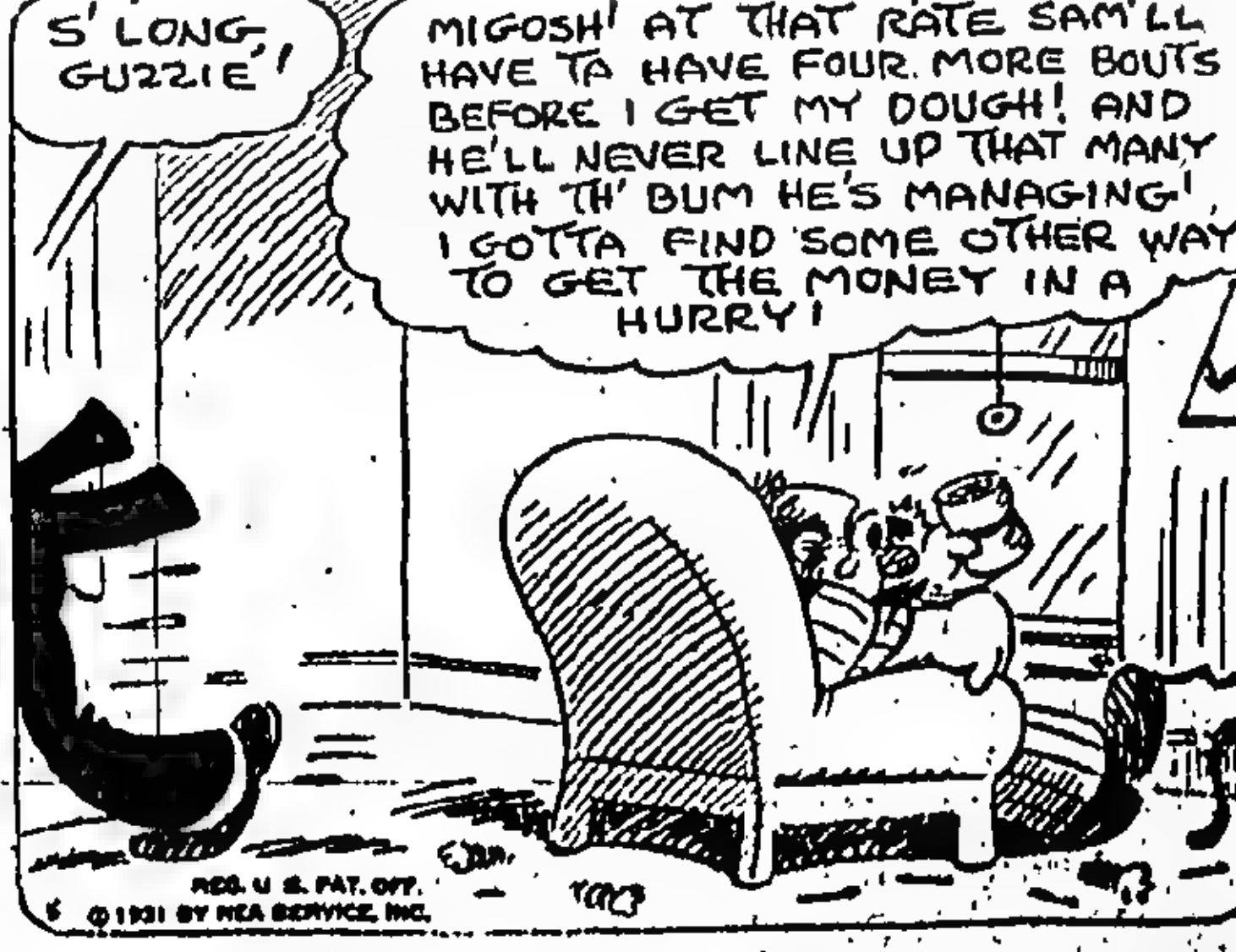
Geneva, Feb. 1. Despite Far Eastern War clouds, there is no likelihood of the Disarmament Conference being postponed, as there are too many other important interests involved.

Moreover, even if a special meeting of the League Council becomes necessary for consideration of the Sino-Japanese situation, the Conference would facilitate the immediate assembly of the Council.

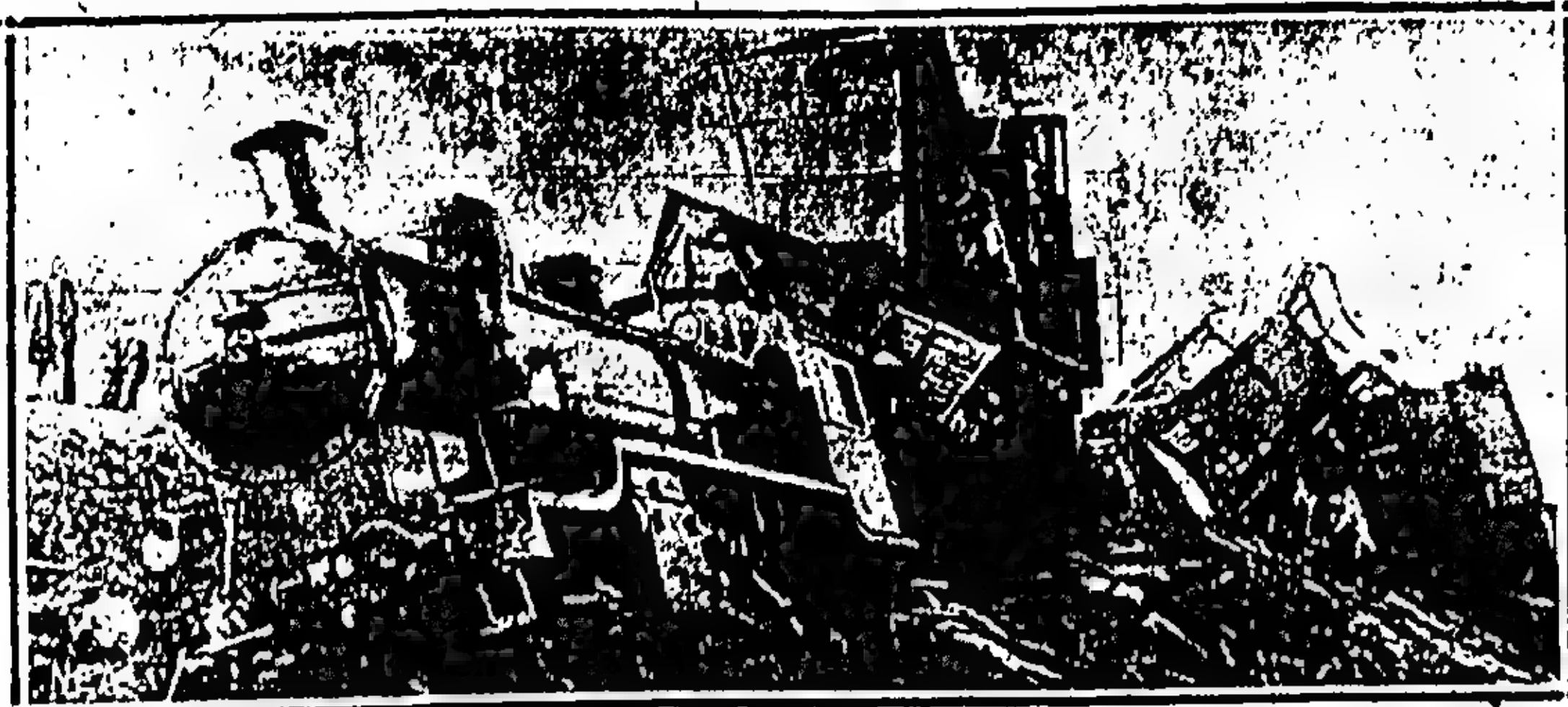
Geneva is blossoming into new life, after the worst season it has experienced for fifty years. The hotels are making all arrangements to accommodate the delegates and visitors coming for the Conference.

Preparations are now nearly complete for the world broadcast of Mr. Arthur Henderson's opening speech on Tuesday. The Archbishop of York preached at the Geneva Cathedral yesterday morning. In the course of his sermon, he suggested wiping out the charge of war guilt, which was much to the taste of many German delegates, who were among the congregation.—*Reuter*.

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BELGRADE EXPRESS DISASTER: MR. WINSTON CHURCHILL AFTER THE SMASH



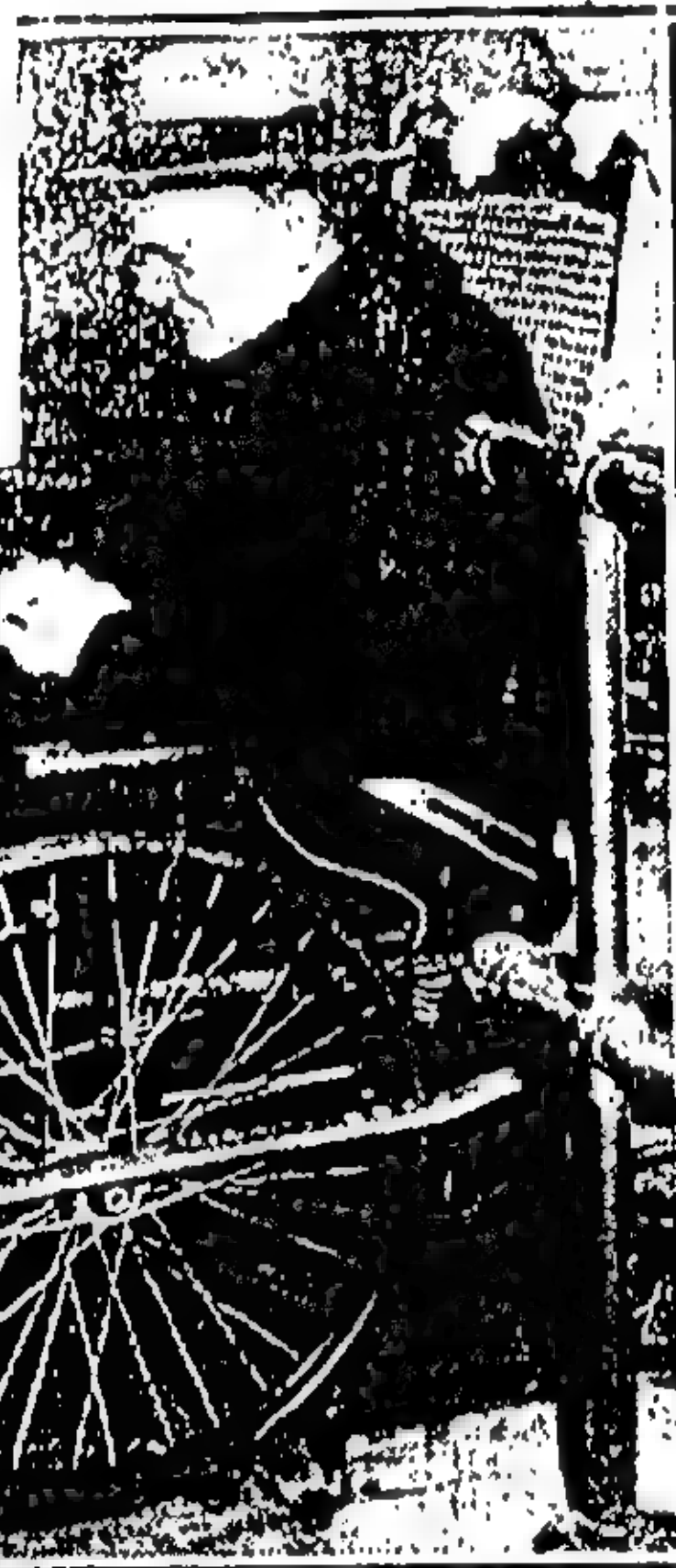
A swift Belgrade-Zagreb express train speeding through the night. A wrong turning. A crash into the blind end of a platform. Then this awesome scene of wrecked locomotive, cars stand-on-end, cars lying on their sides, cars reduced to mere splinters.



Santa Claus—five of him—went to Paris, too. And he carried a little propaganda with him in his sack. The signs told French shoppers: "Santa Claus Buys French Toys—Do the Same."



Youthful "Blackshirts" drummed up Mahatma Gandhi's interest in Fascism, as is shown by this picture, taken during the Indian leader's visit to Rome.



"Battered but not shattered," was Mr. Winston Churchill's description of himself when, as pictured here, the British statesman left a New York hospital to return to his hotel.



Mr. George Boyd is shown at the White House delivering the debt moratorium measure for the President's signature after the Senate had ratified it.

Gems of Peril

CHAPTER XLIV

HAZEL DOSS HAILEY

J. J. Jupiter was the first man on deck. Although it was just his usual early morning hour, he was still dressed. He was there when Captain Hendricks came hurrying down from the bridge, and together the two men retired to the port rail. Bates and Mary followed.

"What's the matter, captain?" Bates inquired somewhat nervously. He had a landsman's inordinate fear of accident on sea, and even Mary felt a childish impulse to rush to the captain and cling to his hand until the danger was over.

"We're fast on a reef," Captain Hendricks was explaining to Mr. Jupiter. "She's apparently not hurt—the engineers say she's making no water below. But she seems to be well stuck."

"Can you get off by yourself?" Mr. Jupiter asked.

"We'll have a try at it tomorrow morning. I'm afraid we'll have to have a tug out of Key West though to give us a pull."

"Do what you think best," Mr. Jupiter answered mildly. "I shouldn't have come in to-night," the captain continued, "but the moon made it almost like day, and I've been around here so much I thought I could make it even in a fog. This channel isn't used except for small fishing craft, and apparently some of the buoys have drifted over. See that mid-channel buoy there?"

He pointed to what looked like an upturned funnel to Mary. It was floating almost in the shadow of the ship cast on the water.

"Mid-channel buoy, and it's sticking right up on top of a reef with only about five feet of water over it! Fortunately we were coming in slow, just barely turning over."

"Where are we?" Bates asked. "Just a half mile from the old pier at Fort Jefferson where I intended to make fast. In another five minutes we'd have been there. That's Dry Tortugas there a couple of miles off the starboard beam."

They turned to look, and the ray of the big lamp in its white tower swept across their faces and off into the moonlit night.

"I'm going fishing in the morning then," Mr. Jupiter said cheerfully. "How about it, Bates?"

"Fine."

"We'd better be getting a little sleep. Ought to be out by six anyway. They bite better early in the morning. Everybody back to bed now. There's nothing we can do to help, and we'd only be in the way."

The day that followed was one of unutterable tedium for those left behind while the fishing party cruised happily about. Mary sat in a deck chair, a book in her lap, watching the unexcited labours of the distant fishermen through a telescope loaned her by the captain. It was not very entertaining but it was better than nothing.

The burning sun drove Bruce and Louise downstairs, where they played interminable games of solitaire. De Loma prowled the ship like a caged animal. He had run out of cigarette long since, and his nerves were all a-jangle. He roved from one end of the ship to the

other, leaning on the rail and studying the prospect in every direction. They were all very much discouraged, which must have been discouraging.

He avoided the landward side, Mary observed, but whether this was due to her presence there, or to the view which consisted of glassy sea out of which old Fort Jefferson prison reared its ugly head, she did not know.

Presently, to give him the range of the boat, and also because his restlessness had begun to get on her nerves, she resolved to go below and take a nap. She met a steward with a tray, headed for Dirk's stateroom, and stopped him. She returned it a bit to make it more inviting. Then she had the steward wait while she wrote a note. It was only three words.

Mary pulled a book from the rack in one side of the cabin and sent that along, too. She promised herself that she would drop in and see Dirk after he had lunch.

Once she heard an altercation out on deck, De Loma was berating a steward because he had locked up the liquor cabinet, at Mr. Jupiter's order, as it turned out. Mary dismissed it from her mind, until a violent knocking at her door forced her to take notice of it.

De Loma was in a towering, white-hot rage.

"What's this all about?" he snarled. "Am I a guest on this damn fishing-smack or am I not? Why can't I get service from these damn niggers you've got for waiters on this tub? I want a drink, and I want it now, do you hear! Tell this cub to toss out that key! What does he think I am, a baby?"

"Take your troubles to Captain Hendricks. He's in command," Mary replied.

"Yes? Well, there's something else I want to know—why doesn't that radio operator send my messages?"

"Doesn't he?"

"No. If he did, I'd have had answers before now. What's happening to my trunk? Damn it, if that hotel seizes them, I'll hold you responsible!"

Mary smiled shakily. "You flatter me. As I said before Captain Hendricks is the man to see."

"That ———!"

From his choice of expletives it was apparent that Captain Hendricks had already been seen, and added his refusal to that of his subordinates. De Loma was appealing to Mary as a last resort. He was almost beside himself, and his bravado was fast crumbling.

Mary shut the door and an instant later she heard the captain's low, steady voice.

"We've a sick man in that cabin down there, De Loma. I suggest you lower your voice. Better still, stay up on deck. What were you bothering Miss Harkness about? Miss Harkness is not to be annoyed!"

De Loma obeyed without a word. There was something about the sturdy figure of the captain that

was impressive, particularly to a man whose courage was not of the physical sort. Mary, listening to the encounter between the two with a loudly beating heart, opened her door a trifle when De Loma had gone. Captain Hendricks was still standing there.

"Keep your door locked," he said very low. "The steward just surprised him trying Mr. Jupiter's door. That's what he's so hot and bothered about. Though I reckon he'd like to have a drink, at that. Good thing Jupiter's got the only boat—think he'd try to row to shore."

"Are we off the reef yet?" she asked hopefully.

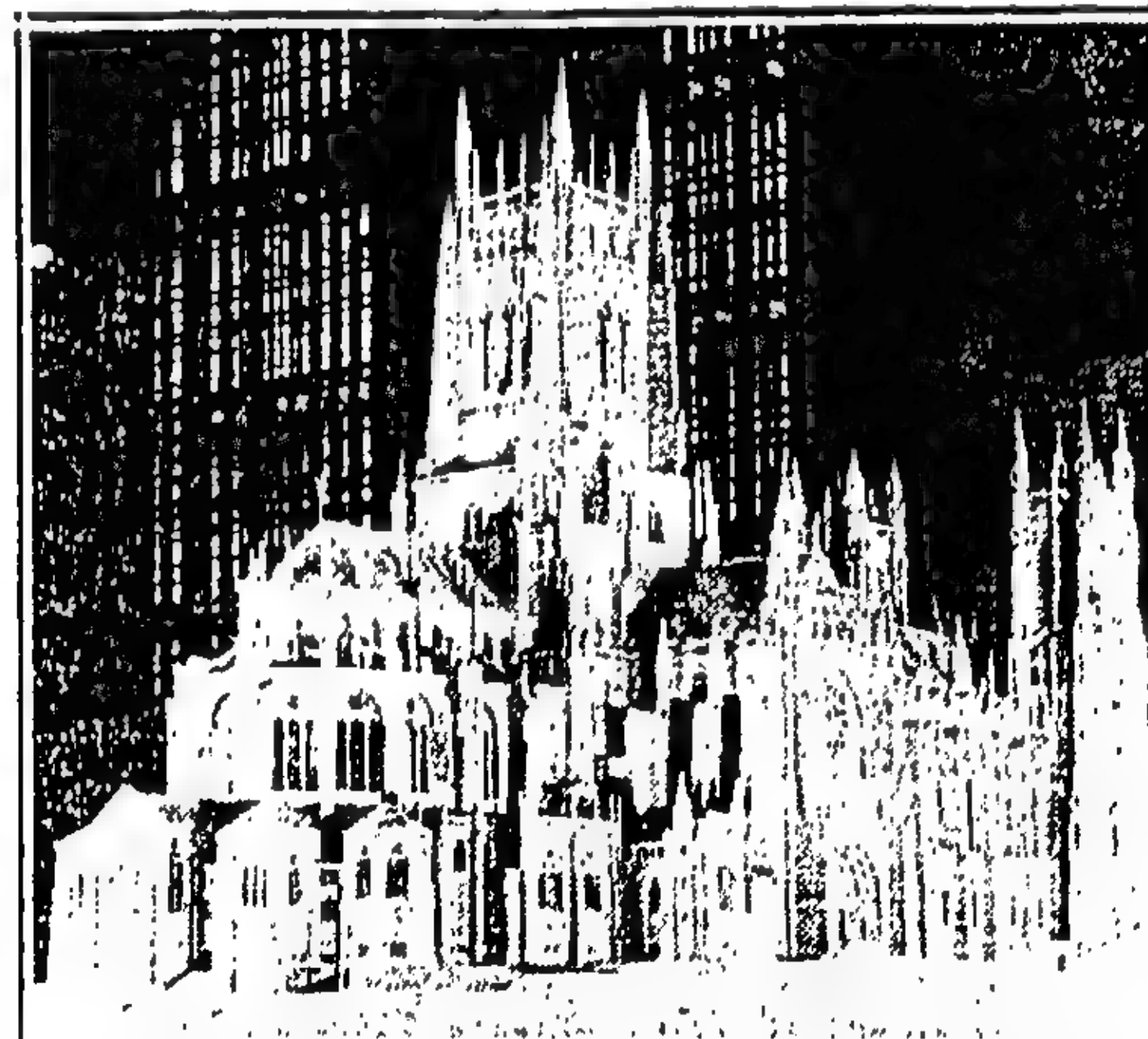
All morning the crew had worked at the job of dislodging the stranded "Gypsy," first dropping an anchor off the bow and trying to pull her forward with a winch and then repeating the performance off the stern. But the lovely white-and-gold yacht was firmly seated upon a rock, and there she remained, as alluring a sight as Circe of old to the tired and grubby fishermen now plying toward her.

"No luck. We're here till we can get a tug to pull us off." The captain shook his head. "He'll be bawling before then. You know what I think?" He whispered almost gleefully. "I think it's that old prison that gets his goat! He's so jittery now he can't eat. And when appetites fall on shipboard, a man's either seasick or got the fear of hell-fire in him."

In mid-afternoon the fishermen arrived, and even the sullen De Loma was at the rail to watch their coming aboard. Any kind of activity was better than the stillness and utter lack of human association from which he had been suffering.

"Oh, what marvelous luck!" Mary called out involuntarily as the boat came alongside and she saw several shining fish in the bottom. "What are they? I never saw such beautiful fish before." Both Mr. Jupiter and Bates were grinning as they climbed out, albeit rather stiffly, and came up the gangplank.

"Kingfish," Bates replied, "and they're rightly named; too. What a fight one of those fellows gave me! He knew I was an amateur so he gave the works."



This is not New York's new Cathedral of St. John the Divine. It hasn't been completed! This is a model of the edifice, recently unveiled. The model weighs one ton, is nearly 13 feet long, seven feet wide and eight feet high.

"Didn't you get any barracuda?" "No. No luck there." Mr. Jupiter called a deck hand to bring their catch up from the dinghy. "I wouldn't want to try to bring one of those into that cockleshell. Got the boat loose yet?"

"Sorry, sir," the captain replied. "And now there's something the matter with the radio. Tried to get Key West to order a tug, but it wouldn't work. Couldn't raise anyone." A sudden thought made him look suspiciously in De Loma's direction. "If I thought anyone had tampered with it—"

De Loma brought his eyes back from a moody contemplation of Fort Jefferson prison, turned and walked away. The captain's speculative gaze followed him.

Dirk was either asleep or feigned it when Mary went down to see him. His stony unresponsiveness was beginning to wear her spirits down at last. It was not human, she felt, to be so stubbornly resistant even to the ordinary claims of friendship. He must hate her.

There was no other explanation. She almost ran to her own cabin, locked herself in and let the tears come. Then, realizing that she could not go up on deck again without exciting curiosity, she sent a steward to ask Bates to loan her his half-complete "picture puzzle." If she must be a prisoner she could at least be doing something useful. (Continued on Page 11.)



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the 11th February, 1932, AT NOON,
for the purpose of receiving the Report
of the Directors together with a
Statement of Accounts for the year
ended 31st December, 1931.

The Register of Shares of the
Company will be CLOSED from
Wednesday, the 3rd February, 1932,
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both days inclusive.

NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
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and at the same place as and
immediately after the before men-
tioned Ordinary General Meeting for
the purpose of considering and if
thought fit passing the following
resolution as an Extraordinary
Resolution.

That the Articles of Association of
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(a) By deletion of the words
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partly in the third and partly in
the fourth lines of Article 36a of
the Company's Articles of Associa-
tion and the substitution thereof
of the words "Five thousand
Dollars."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY ALSO
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General Meeting of the Members of
the Company will be held at the same
place at 12.30 p.m. on Friday the
26th day of February, 1932, for the
purpose of receiving a report of the
proceedings at the before mentioned
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of confirming if thought fit the before
mentioned resolution as a Special
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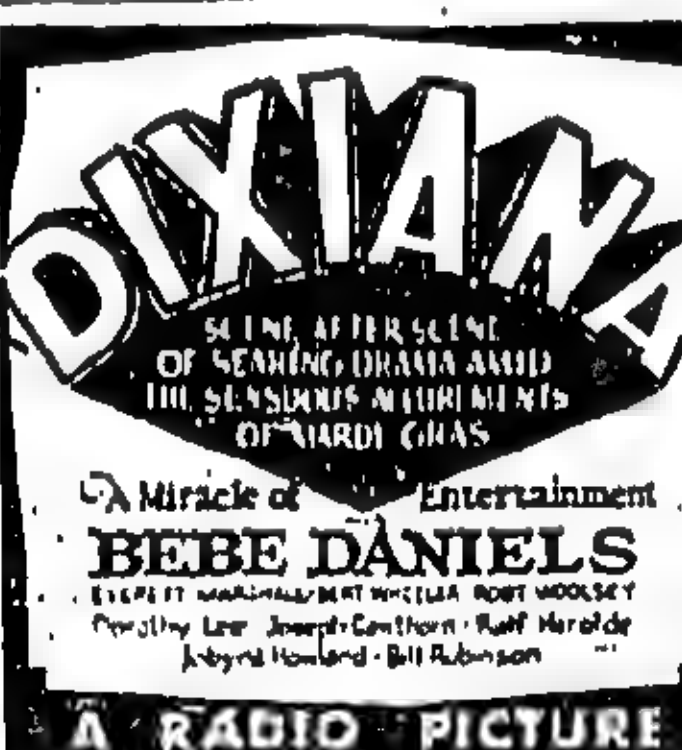
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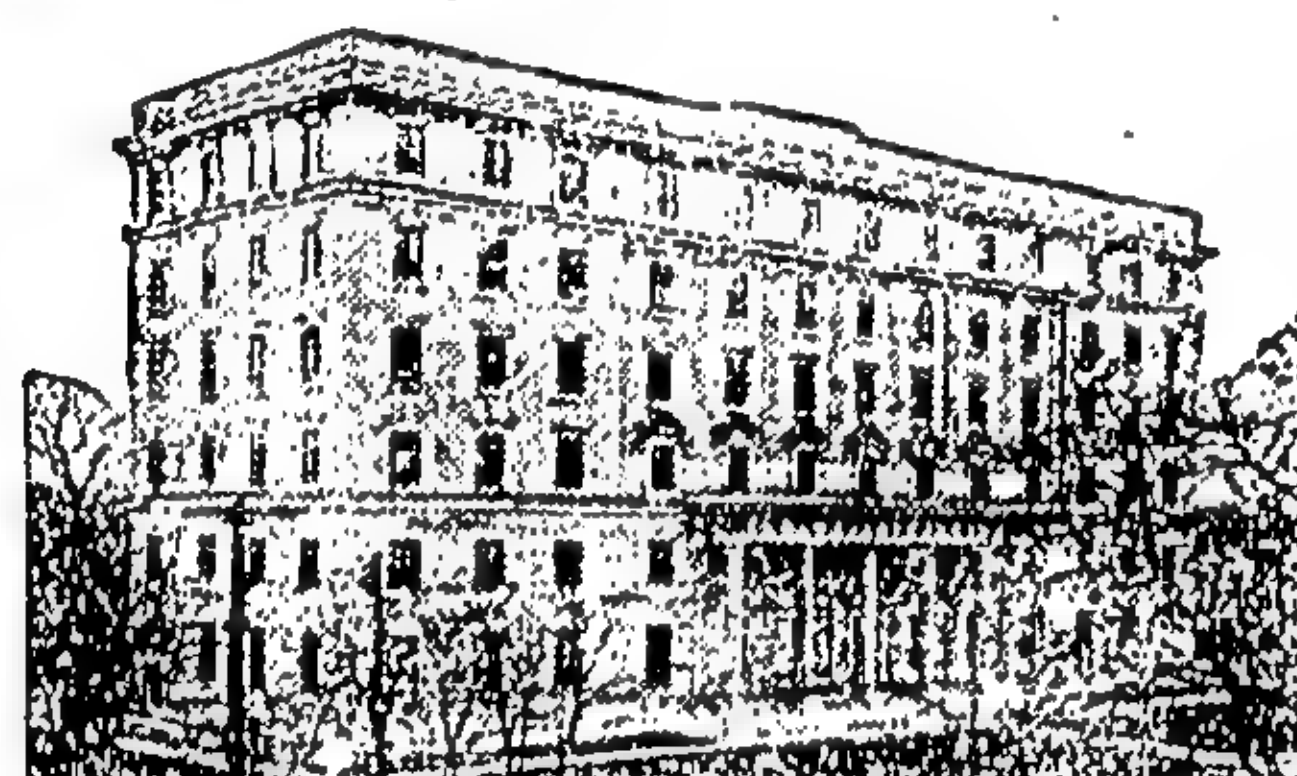
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FATHERS AS "OGRES."

A DOCTOR'S PLEA FOR MORE CONFIDENCE.

Dr. D. H. Geffen, medical officer
of health for Enfield, speaking at
a winter school for health visitors
at Bedford College gave advice to
fathers regarding their treatment
of their children.

"There is always a desire among
fathers," he said, "to boast about
the scholastic attainments of their
children, but there is nothing
boasting of their children's
scholastic attainments when the
child is below seven years of age.
The attempt to instill into a
child a large amount of knowledge
before he has reached the age of
seven spells disaster.

"With regard to punishment, so
often it is the habit for the mother
to instill fear of the father into the
child, and for the father to mete
out punishment when he comes
home from work. In this way the
father comes to be regarded by
the child as a kind of ogre.
"The father has as much right
to his child's love as the mother,
and for this reason from the
earliest days fathers should devote
all the time they can to playing
with their children."

Girls' Chances in Life.

Discussing the problem of the
adolescent boy and girl, Dr. Geffen
said—that he considered it the
duty of the father to see that his
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from Calgary to Montreal (Canada). Such letters must be handed in over
the Counter of the General Post Office or Kowloon Post Office and must be
superscribed "Air Mail Calgary-Montreal". The Air Mail fee, which is
additional to the ordinary postage, is 70 cents per ounce.

Letters and postcards for Europe and South America are forwarded
"Via Siberia" if so superscribed.

It is notified for the information of holders of Private Boxes at the
General Post Office that on and after 1st February no taxed correspondence
will be placed in the Boxes. A notification will be substituted and Box-
holders are requested to call or send for the correspondence at the Box-
holders' Lobby and there pay the amount of the Tax against the deliv-
ery of the letters or packets.

INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
Japan and Shanghai	Chenonceaux	February 2.
Japan and Shanghai	Helan Maru	February 2.
Australia and Manila	Tanda	February 3.
Calcutta and Straits	Takada	February 3.
Saigon	D'Artagnan	February 3.
Japan	Melbourne Maru	February 4.
London Parcels only, London 31st December	Salpedon	February 5.
Japan and Shanghai	Terukuni Maru	February 5.
Straits	Katori Maru	February 6.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang- hai (San Francisco 6th January)	Pres. Van Buren	February 6.
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shang- hai (San Francisco, 11th January)	Pres. Grant	February 8.
Canada, U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai (Vancouver, B.C., 16th January)	Emp. of Russia	February 8.
Japan	Buenos Aires Maru	February 10.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date and Time
*Straits and Calcutta	Himalaya Maru	Mon, Feb. 1, 2.30 p.m.
Manila	Taiyo Maru	Mon, Feb. 1, 2.30 p.m.
Swatow	Hydrangea	Mon, Feb. 1, 3 p.m.
Poochow	Yingehow	Mon, Feb. 1, 3.30 p.m.
Samsui and Wuchow	Kong Ning	Mon, Feb. 1, 4 p.m.
Amoy	Hosang	Mon, Feb. 1, 5 p.m.
Manila, Makassar and Sourabaya	Kjladane	Tues, Feb. 2, 9.30 a.m.
Haiphong	G. G. Maurice Long	Tues, Feb. 2, 10.30 a.m.
Saigon and *Europe via Marseilles	Chenonceaux	Tues, Feb. 2.
	Registration	10 a.m.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Registration	12.45 p.m.
	Letters	1.30 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 4th March).	
Straits and *Europe via Marseilles	Autolytus	Tues, Feb. 2.
	Registration	10 a.m.
	Letters	1 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Registration	1.15 p.m.
	Letters	2 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 3rd March).	
Fort Bayard, Hoihow, Pakhoi and Haiphong	Tonkin	Tues, Feb. 2, 12.30 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, U.S.A., Canada, Central and South Amer- ica and *Europe via San Fran- cisco and *Europe via Siberia	President McKinley	Tues, Feb. 2.
	Parcels	Feb. 2, Noon.
	Reg.	Feb. 2, 1.45 a.m.
	Letters	Feb. 2, 2.30 p.m.
	(Due San Francisco 23rd February).	
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Hal Ning	Tues, Feb. 2, 2 p.m.
Saigon	Lianchow	Tues, Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
Swatow	Hosang	Tues, Feb. 2, 5 p.m.
Shanghai, *Japan and *Europe via Siberia	D'Artagnan	Wed, Feb. 3, 2.30 p.m.
Straits	Lyeomoon	Wed, Feb. 3, 3.30 p.m.
Hoihow and Haiphong	Mesado Maru	Thurs, Feb. 4, 8.30 a.m.
Sandakan	Mausang	Thurs, Feb. 4, 10.30 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Poochow	Haiyang	Thurs, Feb. 4, 1 p.m.
Manila, Australia, and New Zea- land via Brisbane	Melbourne Maru	Thurs, Feb. 4.
	Parcels	Feb. 4, 2 p.m.
	Reg.	Feb. 4, 2.45 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 4, 3.30 p.m.
	(Due Brisbane, 18th February).	
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. and South America and *Europe via Vancouver, B.C. and *Europe via Siberia	*Empress of Asia	Thurs, Feb. 4.
	Parcels	Feb. 4, 3 p.m.
	Registration	4.15 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
	(Due Vancouver, B.C., 21st Feb.)	
*Straits and Calcutta	Sul Sang	Fri, Feb. 5.
	Parcels	Wed, Feb. 5.
	Letters	1 p.m.
Shanghai, Japan, Canada, U.S.A., Central and South America and *Europe via Victoria B.C.	President Madison	Fri, Feb. 5.
	Parcels	Feb. 5, 3 p.m.
	Reg.	Feb. 5, 3.45 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 5, 4.30 p.m.
	(Due Victoria B.C., 23rd Feb.)	
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Terukuni Maru	Fri, Feb. 5.
	Registration	Feb. 5, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Reg.	Feb. 5, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 5, 6 p.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 3rd March).	
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Hozan Maru	Sun, Feb. 7, 9 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Egypt and Europe via Brindisi	Gango	Wed, Feb. 10.
	Registration	Feb. 10, 3 p.m.
	Letters	4 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Reg.	Feb. 10, 3.45 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 10, 4.30 p.m.
	(Due Brindisi, 3rd March).	
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mau- ritius, East and South Africa and *South America ports	Buenos Aires Maru	Thurs, Feb. 11, 10.30 a.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, East and South Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles	Kashmir	Sat, Feb. 13.
	Registration	Feb. 13, 4.30 p.m.
	Letters	5 p.m.
	G. P. O.	
	Reg.	Feb. 13, 5 p.m.
	Letters	Feb. 13, 5.45 a.m.
	(Due Marseilles, 12th March).	

*Superscribed Correspondence only.

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FIRST CARGO OF STORES FOR 2½ YEARS.

Capetown, Jan. 2.

The little island of Tristan da
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row with stores.

Among the warship's cargo are
a number of ones contributed by
the King, and a butter churn given
by the Queen.

During the Carlisle's stay at the
island inquiries will be made
about the living conditions of the
inlanders, and of the practicability
of establishing a meteorological
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casting meteorological data for ship-
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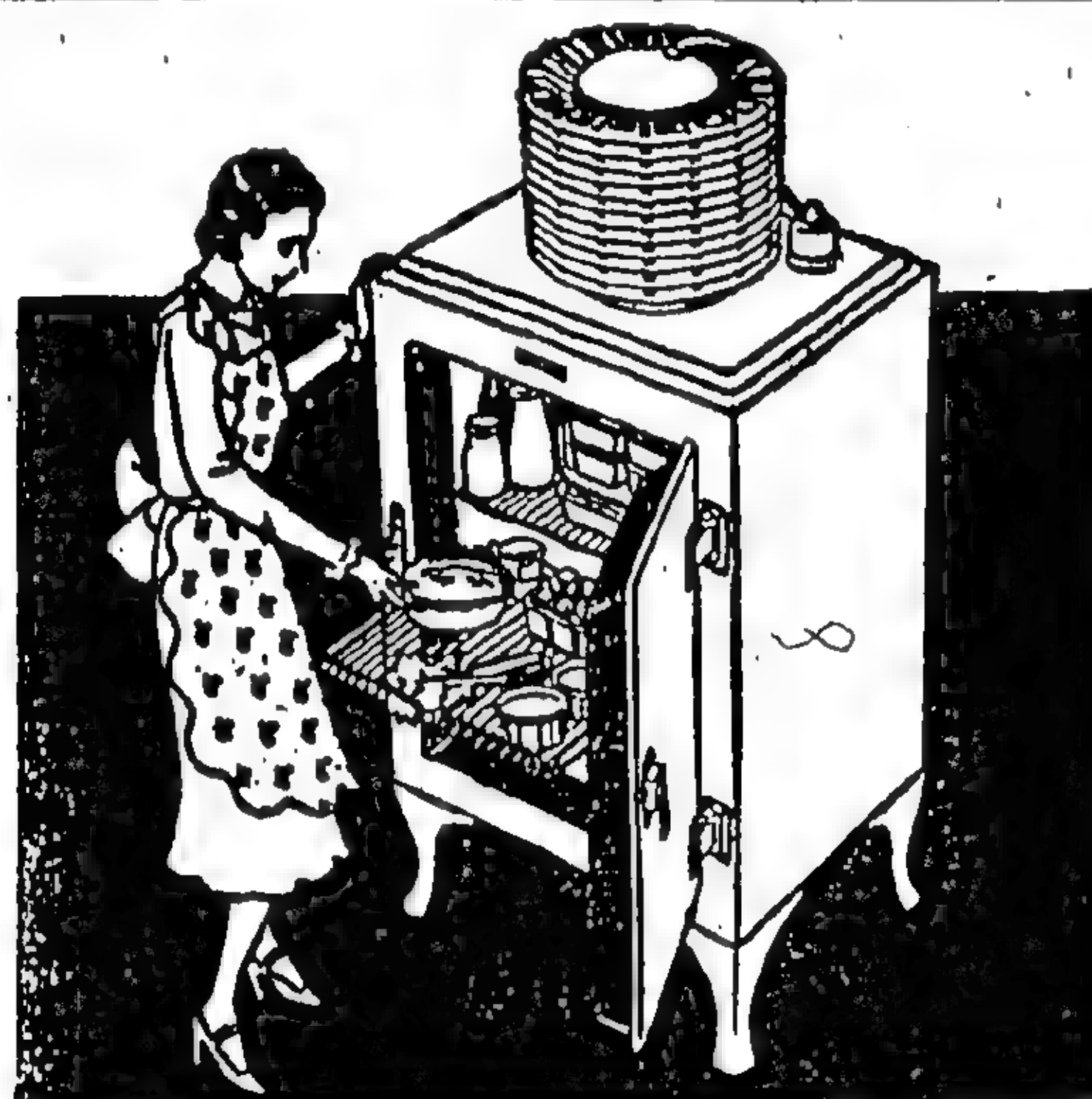
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THE BOOKSHELF.

CROWN COLONIES' INDUSTRIES.

Arising out of the changed fiscal policy at Home, Erlangers, Ltd., the well-known bankers, have published a series of treatises on the manufacturing industries of the British Overseas Empire. The work entrusted to Mr. Harold N. Carrington, who has assembled facts and figures in a simple and easily assimilable form, steering clear of any bias towards either Protection of Free Trade.

Part V. of the series, dealing with Newfoundland, the West Indies, Ceylon, Hongkong, Sarawak, Brunei and Borneo, has now made its appearance, retailing at 2s. 6d. net. Several pages are devoted to Hongkong, giving facts and figures concerning the Colony's commercial and economic position, these being supplemented by coloured statistical diagrams which show the situation at a glance and which add greatly to the value of the production.

Dealing with the tariff issue, the author points out that Hongkong's position is unique in the Empire, since the Colony "is the one unit in the British Empire where the imposition of a tariff, giving preference to goods from the United Kingdom and the Empire, would without doubt be of no reciprocal advantage; it would destroy the basis on which she has built up her trade, and, by adding the complication of a Customs organisation, would probably throw out of gear, if not destroy, the delicate machinery which has worked smoothly and profitably for nearly a hundred years. This loss would more than offset any benefit British manufacturers might receive from a preference on cotton goods, which, perhaps, is the only class of import from the United Kingdom on which tariff preference might be of any advantage. In any case, the United Kingdom could not offer any material advantage in return, as Hongkong has practically no exportable local produce in which reciprocal preference could be granted."

Hongkong Harbour.

There has just been issued a second edition of "Notes on the Harbour of Hongkong," by E. J. deLamoignon, B.Sc. (Lond.) and Rev. N. Evans, M.A. (Oxon.). Originally compiled for the masters of the junior classes in Ellis Kadorie School, and, as such, having been used in geography lessons for the past eighteen months, they have been issued in pamphlet form. Opportunity has been taken by the Rev. N. Evans of revising and, in many cases, of rewriting and re-illustrating the notes. The work has been admirably done, the matter being well assembled and illustrated both by photographs and maps. The hope expressed by the authors that the booklet may be of interest to older scholars and the general public is one which should be realised.

Light Fiction.

Messrs. Ward, Lock and Co., Ltd., the well-known London publishers, continue to issue fresh additions to their Colonial Library series of light fiction. Amongst the latest are some quite entertaining novels by approved writers.

C. J. Cutcliffe Hyne continues his Kettle series in "Mr. Kettle, Third Mate," in which he shows that he has lost none of his cunning in presenting stories. His latest book is a typical Kettle story telling how this fierce little sailor in his early days loved the Empress. Teresa of Mexico, helped her to rediscover the secret of gold-making and tried to rescue her to the throne. The action is vivid and takes place in the Caribbean Sea and the West African Rio de Oro. Kettle fans will find in this book much to chuckle over in the early activities of their well-loved red-headed captain of later years.

Laurence Meynell gives us a very readable volume in "Asking for Trouble." It relates, in a series of short stories, what happened to Stanley Tredegar, wealthy and handsome bachelor of leisure, when

THE HWA NAN COLLEGE.

PROFESSOR'S ADVICE TO STUDENTS.

Stressing the importance of learning the English language Professor R. K. M. Simpson, who distributed the prizes at the first prize-giving day of the Hwa Nan College on Saturday afternoon, said that it was almost impossible for Hongkong boys to attain a real understanding of Western science or Western ideas without a thorough study of English.

The prize-giving was held at the Ho Shing Theatre in which a big gathering of friends and parents of the students attended and were entertained with a delightful programme of musical and other theatrical items.

Kailap School.

Mr. J. M. Noronha presented the prizes on Saturday afternoon to the pupils of the Kailap School which is run under the auspices of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 80, Queen's Road, East.

Yueh Chi's Prize Day.

The annual speech day of the Yueh Chi College was held yesterday morning in the Po Hing Theatre in Yau-mat. The prizes and certificates were distributed by the Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau, while Dr. S. Y. Wong, of the Hongkong University, addressed the students.

The Yueh Chi College staff and students have organised an exhibition of needlework, embroidery, paintings in Chinese and work in plaster and bamboo, etc., which will open this coming weekend in the school building, 1, Nathan Road. The public is invited to attend.

he advertised that he was tired of playing the fool and sought unusual and exciting occupation, "within the law preferred, but not essential." Many complications develop when Tredegar comes into contact with not too innocent maidens and unscrupulous villains. Very good fiction, told with marked ability and reflecting excellent characterisation.

Good as her previous books have been, Ethel Lina White has probably done nothing better than "Put Out the Light," a story which holds the reader's attention from start to finish. It is the tale of a rich elderly spinster who believed she would be murdered and who feared four young people, regarding them as lions, lamed by her whip, who might spring if ever her foot slipped. The murder does take place, and the mystery is only (although when accident puts the local Police Superintendent on the right track. The author, in a prefatory note, points out that the victim, the dominant character in the novel, has been retained as long as possible. Readers may therefore decide who is going to kill her, before the murder is actually committed: "they will probably reach the goal before the detective, who is built to last, and not for speed."

"The Countryman."

That delightful half-crown quarterly non-party review and miscellany of rural life and industry, "The Countryman," continues its vigorous and evergreen existence with every sign of a long and fruitful life. The January number, now to hand, is full of interest. Apart from the common-sense comments which we have come to associate with this journal, there are any number of informative and well-written contributions, varying in subject from country-house aeroplanes to caravan bookshop adventures and from the story of the life of an old gamekeeper to letters by a candid architect, to say nothing of farming experiences and an ancient diary of a country parson-farmer. The whole volume exudes the English countryside and comes, to the exile, as a reminder of much that they have lost by leaving the Old Country. There is no better way of maintaining the link with rural England than by becoming a regular reader of "The Countryman."

SHARE PRICES.

TO-DAY'S QUOTATIONS.

The following is the list of local share quotations issued to-day:

Banks.
Hongkong Bank, \$1425 n.
Chartered Bank, \$127½ n.
Mercantile A. and B., \$18 n.
East Asia, \$127½ n.

Insurance.
Canton Ins., \$1350 n.
Union Ins., \$412 sa.
China Underwriters, \$4.02½ n.
China Fire, \$590 n.
H.K. Fire Ins., \$1250 n.

Shipping.
Douglases, \$25. b.
H. K. Steamboats, \$23 b.
Indo-China, (Def.) \$45 s.
Union Waterboats, \$25 n.

Mining.
Benguet, \$11.75 b.
Kallans, 30/- s.
Shai Explorations, Tls. 2.70 n.
Raubas, \$39 s.

Docks, etc.
Kowloon Wharves, \$158 a.
Whampoa Docks, \$29 n.
South China Motors \$10 n.
Providents (old), \$5.30 n.
Hongkew, Tls. 220 n.
New Engineers, Tls. 6½ n.
Shanghai Docks, Tls. 90½ n.

Cottons.
Ewo Cottons Tls. 15.70 sa.
Shanghai Cottons, Tls. 80½ b.
Zoon Sings Tls. 11½ n.

Lands, Hotels, etc.
H. K. Hotels (old) \$14.80 s.
H. K. Hotels (new) \$14.75 n.
H. K. Lands, \$81½ n.
Shai Lands, Tls. 30 n.
Humphreys, \$19 n.

Public Utilities.
Tramways, \$22.50 sa.
Peak Trams, (old), \$15.60 n.
Star Ferries, \$101½ n.
China Lights, \$26.90 n.
H. K. Electric, \$77¾ n.
Macao Electric, \$23 n.
Telephones, \$43 n.
China Buses, Tls. 16 n.
Singapore Tractions, 3/- b.

Industrials.
Malbons, \$38 s.
Canton Ice, \$5 b.
Cements (com.), \$19.10 n.
Ropes, \$17¾ n.

Stores, etc.
Dairy Farms, \$29.80 n.
Watsons, \$16.50 n.
Der A. Wines, \$1 n.
Lane Crawfords, \$3.35 n.
Mackintosh, \$19 b.
Sinceres, \$16 b.
Powells, \$3.60 n.

Miscellaneous.
Amusements, \$19.90 n.
Entertainments (old) \$16¼ s.
Constructions (old), \$5.80 n.
S. C. Enterprises \$10 n.
Constructions (new), \$2 sa.
B. Ind. G. & Bonds, \$58 n.
Loans, \$3½ b. Prem.

HONGKONG SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL SUMMARY BY STOCK EXCHANGE.

Business was at a standstill this morning owing to the nervousness caused by the political situation in the North.

Sales.
Union Insurance \$412.
Ewo Cottons, Tls. 15.70/16.
Buyers.

Sellers.
Benguet \$11¾.
Venz. Goldfields \$2.
Chinese Estates \$95.
Singapore Tractions 3/-.
Mackintosh \$19.

Indo-China (Def.) \$45.
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Kallan Mining 30/-.
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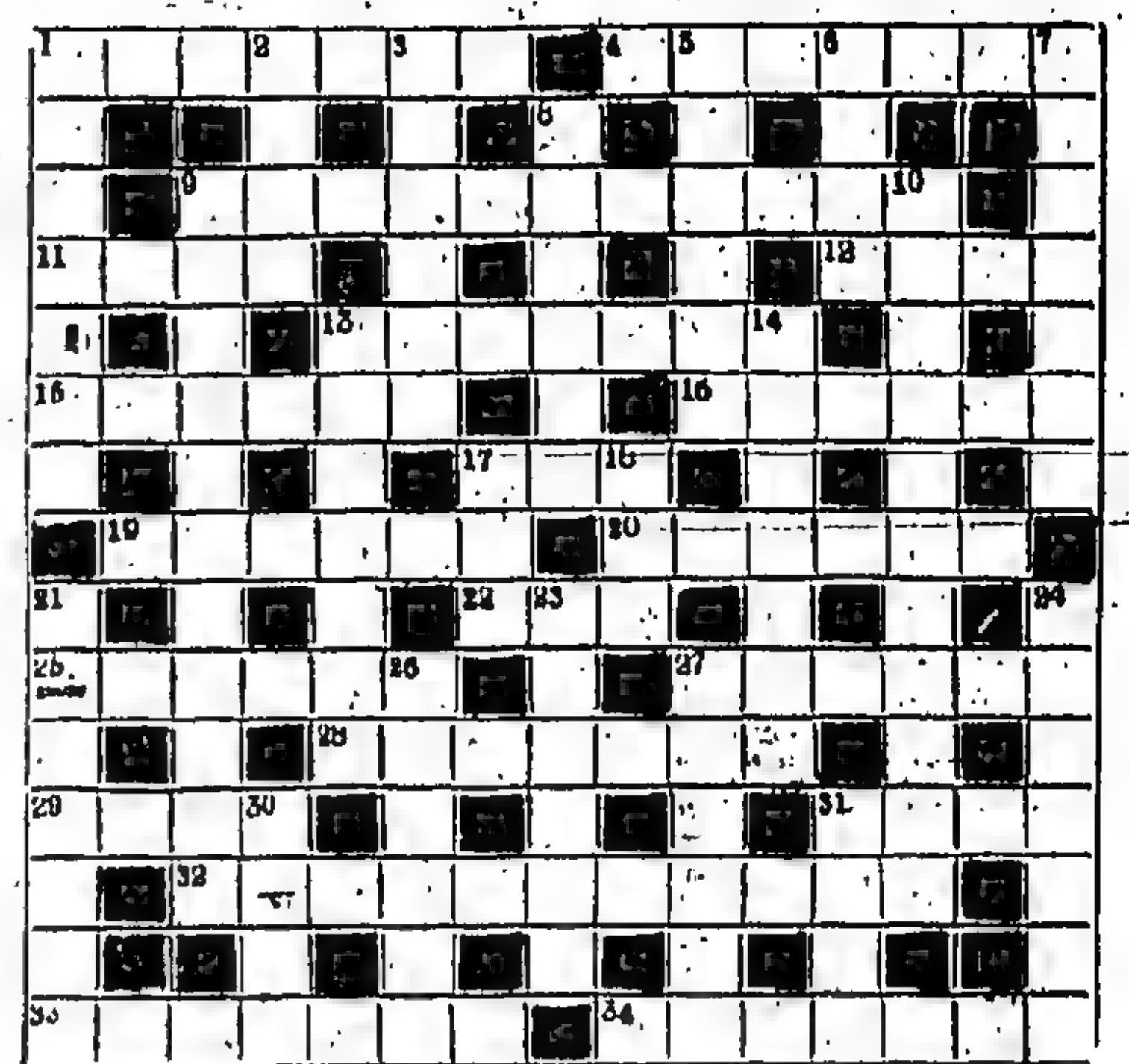
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OUR BRITISH CROSSWORDS.



Across

- 1 A kind of fire that would be naked but for one rag.
- 2 Takes two to do it. (You'll find the two in the end.)
- 3 A silent originator gives rise to surprise (to put it mildly).
- 11 If he's after it, it (although plural) should make a man of him.
- 12 They are just... this!
- 13 Enough here for a lobster.
- 15 "Sweet —, loveliest village of the plain."
- 16 Presages a close shave.
- 17 Hint this is rash.
- 19 English hills.
- 20 Part of France.
- 22 When Ada came after it, it was all due to Philip.
- 25 A kettle support.
- 27 Silent, but confused.
- 28 Military science.
- 29 Anyone taken to it is improved.
- 31 A hot place to get the dean out of.
- 32 If you're on them, you're not at your ease.
- 33 A French island old friends should appreciate.
- 34 Glandular, and operated on in the plural.

Down

- 1 A conductor at the top of the tree, and the tree's at the top of the conductor.
- 2 Headless Ah's defeat.
- 3 English historian.
- 5 One source of lament.
- 6 Many a man has afterwards this being what sounds like it.
- 7 You must be a cross-word "fan" if you have got thus far without one.

one.

- 8 County.
- 9 A variety distinction (hyphen).
- 10 I imagine this family is never asked for a banker's reference.
- 13 A girl with this name should be good at cards.
- 14 Fruit descending to wickedness.
- 17 The Belgian part of Hispaniola.
- 18 As the poet would put it: "Here you may reverse."
- 21 Stammer.
- 23 The "come-back" of Turner in chaos.
- 24 Dwarfed, or a request to give Edward the K. O.
- 26 A great event at Aldershot. A 21 Down would make it also.
- 27 Resounded.
- 30 A knee much out of joint.
- 31 Related.

Saturday's Solution.

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RARE MANUSCRIPTS.

LOTHIAN LIBRARY UNDER THE HAMMER.

New York, Jan. 30.
The second day of the sale of Lord Lothian's library witnessed the purchase of a document said to be second in importance only to the Declaration of Independence. It is the "Olive

Branch Petition to King George Third," and was purchased for the surprisingly low sum of \$63,000.

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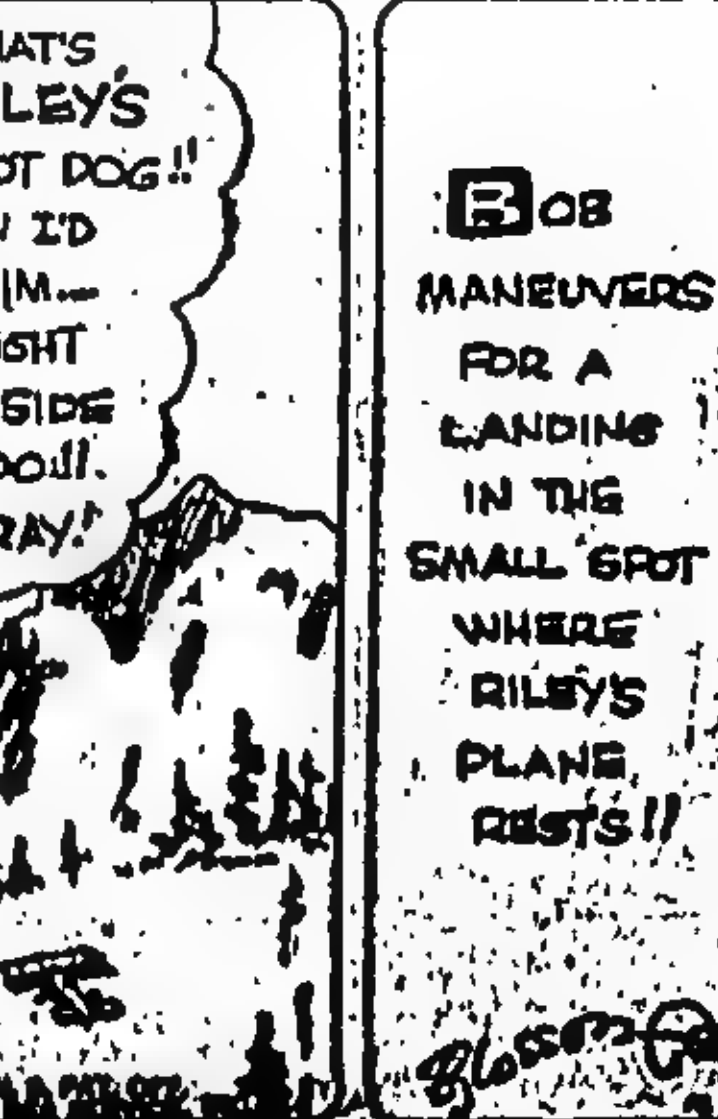
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DEATH.

L.U.—Estaphany, Epiphany, Du
Lux (Nee S.E. de Luz) died at
his residence, 2 Peace Avenue,
Kowloon, this morning, aged 72
years. Funeral will pass the
Monument to-day at 5.30 p.m.
(Shanghai and Manila papers
please copy.)

The
Hongkong Telegraph

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 1932.

JAPAN'S EXCUSE.

If the League of Nations has
hitherto not cut a very happy
figure over the Sino-Japanese
clash, it is at any rate something
to the good that the Council has
bluntly turned down the Japanese
proposal to postpone consideration
of China's invocation of Articles
X and XV of the Covenant. M.
Paul Boncour, at Friday's meeting,
countered the Japanese argu-
ments, and he had the support of
the whole of the members of the
Council. From this circumstance,
it is clear that there is no dispo-
sition in Geneva to agree to any
further quibbling in which the
Japanese delegate may wish to
indulge. The decision to con-
duct an enquiry on the spot
in Shanghai, for the purpose of
obtaining reliable information on
what has occurred, is an indica-
tion that the League realises the
urgency of the crisis there and
is determined to get at the
bottom of the matter. Much has
happened since the League decided
to send out a Commission to in-
vestigate the Manchurian tangle.
In view of what has since trans-
pired, and also because of the
sensational happenings in Shang-
hai, it almost seems as if this
Commission might as
well have never been appointed.
In any event, if the League does
not now succeed in exerting effec-
tive pressure, it will never recover
from the shock to its prestige and
utility.

Surprise, to put it mildly, will
be generally registered over the
Japanese excuse for the drastic
action taken in Shanghai. Posing
as the aggrieved party, the Japan-

ese contention is that whilst their
forces were occupying the posi-
tions assigned them under the
Settlement Defence Scheme, they
were attacked by Chinese Regulars
and armed men in plain clothes.
When we look back on the cir-
cumstances associated with the
Japanese action, it is little short
of amazing that such an excuse
should be advanced. We know
that the Japanese Consul-General
informed the Mayor on Thursday
that he regarded the Chinese reply
to the ultimatum as satisfactory,
but, even so, that he warned the
Chinese authorities that if they
did not keep their promises, the
Japanese would take whatever
steps they considered necessary,
without giving any further notice.
The next development, within a
few hours, was a decision by the
Japanese Admiral to occupy
Chapel. "In order to maintain
peace and order." How that
"occupation" was put into effect,
without the least warning, accom-
panied by aerial bombing, is now
common knowledge. There was
no question of the Chinese not
having kept their promises; the
time element completely rules out
any such contention. Moreover,
the Japanese, according to the
U.S. Consul-General, had given a
definite undertaking that their
forces would not, in any event, be
moved either on Thursday or
Friday. Yet on Thursday night,
the terrible onslaught began.

In the face of these circum-
stances, it would seem a very
poor method of attempting to ex-
plain away Japanese aggression
by an allegation that Japanese
forces, peaceably moving in ac-
cordance with Settlement defence
plans, were suddenly attacked by
the Chinese. The earlier evidence
would appear completely to rebut
any such contention. It is, in-
deed, difficult to escape the con-
viction that from the very start
the Japanese worked according to
a pre-arranged plan, and that they
intended to put that plan into
effect whatever the nature of the
Chinese reply to the ultimatum.
If we go back even further, to
the very commencement of the
Manchurian trouble, and trace the
events which have occurred, we
gather the same impression. The
tragedy of it all is that, so far,
Japan has been able to brush all
protests on one side and proceed
on her task "according to pro-
gramme."

AIRCRAFT CARRIERS AS "LINERS."

U. S. BID FOR BLUE RIBBON OF ATLANTIC.

According to reports in the
American Press, the aircraft car-
riers Lexington and Saratoga are
to be converted into superliners to
attempt to "capture" for America
the "blue ribbon of the Atlantic."
These two vessels, which cost
\$18,000,000, are known to be white
elephants in the American Fleet
but it is difficult for anyone con-
versant with the internal "lay-out"
and external flying decks of air-
craft carriers to believe that they
could operate successfully as
"liners." The flying decks would
comfortably accommodate several
games of football.

These two aircraft-carrying
leviathans, of 33,000 tons, have a
horse-power of over 180,000 and a
speed of about 30 knots, but in
horse-power and tonnage they are,
of course, below those of the great
Cunard liner and the Ile de France
round which so much interest now
centres.

The disuse of the Lexington and
Saratoga as aircraft carriers will
bring into prominence the whole
question of the value of this type
of vessel, which has cost all
Navies, including our own, such
great sums of money.

Great Britain now has eight
aircraft carriers, five of which,
including the R.A.N. ship Albion,
are paid off into reserve or
dockyard control, and three of
which are in commission.

The February meeting of the Hong-
kong Branch of the English Associa-
tion has been postponed from
February 2 to February 16 (Tuesday)
at 5.30 p.m. in the Helms, May
Institute. Mr. H. N. France, M.A.,
Reader in History at the University
of Hongkong, will speak on "The
Historical Novel."

DAY BY DAY

IN THE ADVERSITY OF OUR BEST
FRIENDS WE OFTEN FIND SOMETHING
WHICH DOES NOT DISPLEASE US—
Rochefoucauld.

A whilst drive is being held this
evening at St. John's Cathedral Hall
at 8.45 p.m.

The St. John Ambulance Brigade
report that up to January 28, 71,988
people had received free vaccination
by the Brigade's officers. Vaccina-
tion will be discontinued until after
the Chinese New Year holidays.

Dr. Saa de Waldemar, the
magician, gave an exhibition at the
Chinese Catholic Young Men's Society
in Caine Road on Saturday night to
a large number of people. The pro-
ceeds were in aid of the Building
Fund of the Mongkok Catholic Church.

The King Edward VII Scholarship
awarded on the results of the
Matriculation Examination held in
November 1931 has been won by Mr.
Pong Ching Sze of the Anglo-Chinese
High School, Penang. It has not
been possible to award more than one
such scholarship this year.

The Nestle & Anglo-Swiss Condensed
Milk Co., advertise that Mr. J. W.
Buck has been appointed Acting
Manager for Hongkong & South
China. Mr. H. C. Shrubsole will
proceed to Singapore to take up his
appointment as manager for Malaya,
British North Borneo and Sarawak.

The Fresh Bulletin of Far Eastern
pests for the week ending the 31st
ultimo, shows the following cases of
infectious diseases and deaths there-
from: Plague, Alexandria 1 case,
Baghdad 1 case, Rangoon 2 cases, 1
death, Colombo 2 cases, 2 deaths,
Chokora, Calcutta 26 cases, 14 deaths,
Pnom-Penh 1 case, 1 death, Saigon 1
case, Small-pox, Baghdad 2 cases,
Basrah 1 case, Bassora 1 case, Bom-
bay 1 case, Calcutta 3 cases, 1 death,
Cochin 1 case, Karachi 2 cases, 1
death, Madras 1 case, 2 deaths,
Rangoon 35 cases, 8 deaths, Tuticorin
6 cases, 2 deaths, Pondicherry 1 case,
1 death, Pnom-Penh 1 case, Saigon 23
cases, 22 deaths, Amoy 60 cases, 28
deaths, Tientsin 11 cases, Shanghai
18 cases, 21 deaths.

SUGAR MARKET.

THE LATEST CABLED QUOTATIONS.

The following cable at the close
of the sugar market on Satur-
day has been received by Messrs.
Pentreath and Co.

London Terminals.

March 6/11 1/4 up 1/4 d.
May 7/11 1/4 up 1/4 d.
August 7/4 up 2 1/2 d.
December 7/6 1/2 up 1/4 d.
Buyers at above prices, sellers
asking 1/4-1/2 d. more.

New York Terminals.

March 1.05 no change.
May 1.08 no change.
July 1.13 no change.
September 1.19 up 1 pt.
December 1.25 up 1 pt.

Samarang (30/1/32).—Advice
to hand state that there is every
indication of Java Producers com-
ing to an agreement on the sub-
ject of restriction of planting the
next crop by 50%, also that reduc-
tion will be made in the Export Al-
lowance for year ending 31st
March, 1923.

MARTYRDOM OF MAN

Slave To His Own Mechanism.

THERE is nothing novel in the
idea of humanity becoming
enslaved to its own mechanical
invention. Many—clear-headed
thinkers and astute philosophers
have foreseen the possibility of its
happening. The amazing thing
is that the present generation,
which has witnessed an unprece-
dented miracle of mechanical
progress and scientific invention,
fails as yet to realise its own
soulless servitude.

Some glimmering comprehension
of the accomplished fact is begin-
ning to penetrate the minds of
economic and industrial experts,
but so far as the mass of highly
civilised mankind is concerned it
is a case of "regardless of their
deeds, the little victims play."

Most people, indeed, will regard
such a suggestion with tolerant
incredulity, as merely an ingeniously
plausible paradox. Their com-
placent sanity rejects as absurd
any practical subjugation of man-
kind to the mechanism that is the
offspring of its own genius and
its own hands. They argue that
the creator is greater than his
creation and must remain omni-
potent over the insensate puppets of
his own construction.

It would be hard to think of a
more fallacious notion than that.
If the world at large were con-
sidered in the matter, and public
opinion could have its way, would
not all the elaborate and ingenious
mechanism of human destruction
be forthwith scrapped? Yet can
anyone visualise that "actually
happening within our time or that
of our children's children?"

The Motor Car.

When the machine arrives,
whether it be a torpedo or a
tractor, an automatic field gun or
a printing press, it comes to stay
until something deadlier or more
efficient takes its place. The
motor car fought its way, against
the most vehement popular pre-
judice and the most stringent
official restrictions, to a complete
revolution of human transport.
Dare anyone suggest that, unless
the aeroplane entirely superseded
it, the motor car will ever be sup-
planted? It might be a huge
public misfortune to attempt to
do so, but that is not the reason
why it cannot happen. Poison
gas is not a public benefaction,
yet even the solemn ostracism of
the nations assembled at Geneva
has failed to shut down the poison
gas laboratories throughout the
civilised world.

The most familiar example of
mankind's servitude to mere
mechanism is the clock. Shake-
spere's dictum that we are the
slaves of time was doubtless true
long before clocks were invented.
Sunrise and sunset, whose
majestic mechanism owes nothing
to mortal brains or human hands,
imposed their automatic sway
even on primitive humanity. But
clocks have immensely tightened
up the tyranny. They are, indeed,
the cash registers of our hours
and minutes, and audit our lives
as punctiliously as a chartered
accountant.

It may be urged, with truth,
that clocks and watches are ex-
tremely useful things, and serve
an admirable purpose in the
world. That did not prevent the
parliaments of most civilised

countries passing special legisla-
tion, at considerable pains and
with much difficulty, in order to
modify the dictatorship of the
clock. The Daylight Saving Act
was humanity's first unconscious
gesture of hostility to the steadily
encompassing slavery of the
machine.

All-Ruling Machinery.

The truth is that the genie of
the lamp have turned the tables
on us. Aladdin rubbed his lamp,
and gave his orders to the omni-
potent spirits invoked by that
simple friction. To-day the march
of mechanical invention has
reached a pitch when it is the
genie of the lamp who issue their
orders, and we must implicitly
obey them.

The factory hooter, which sum-
mons awaking proletarians to
their daily task, sounds very like
the raucous voice of some sooty
genius of the industrial lamp.
Its accents may be heard also in
the shrill blast of the locomotive
that draws the black coat workers
office-wards, and in the hoarse
steamer syren that echoes from
the docksides! These magic genii
still serve us, but they have grown
insolent in office, and now we
must also serve them. Mechanism
rules the modern world, and
humanity at large must needs con-
form to its routine.

But these instances of the
tyranny of the machine are only
trivial. We may easily discover
far more serious instances of its
juggernaut progress.

The whole world at this moment
is suffering from an unparalleled
slump. That slump is due pri-
marily to the Great War, which
was a sanguinary apotheosis of
man-made mechanism. Yet the
direct cause of the world de-
pression is over-production—by
the mechanism of peace. The
very machines we made to feed
us are now starving a great
number of us. The dole queues
that punctuate our industrial
suburbs may be regarded as con-
script processions to the altar
of mechanism, the hapless
necylothes who serve in the temple
of the omnipotent machine. The
Disarmament Conference and the
Economic Conference are merely
humanity's feeble attempts to
curb the dictatorship of its own
inventive offspring. The Great
Powers could as little prohibit
aeroplane as they did subma-
rines.

And we may be, for all anyone
dares predict now, only on the
threshold of the age of mechan-
ism. Some irresistible impulse
urges us ever onwards in mechan-
ical invention. It may be man's
blind effort to evade the in-
eluctable primordial curse of
labour. He invents the machine
to save the sweat of his brow,
and the monster promptly swallows
his blood.

It was Voltaire, I believe, who
declared that, if there had been
no God, it would have been neces-
sary to invent one. Can it be
that in this strange epoch of the
world's eventful history, the
forces of irreligion are let loose?
That humanity is relaxing its
hold on eternal truths in pursuit
of illimitable but insatiable
ambitions? And that Voltaire's
inspired epigram is justifying it-
self already in the breathless
efforts of a materialist genera-
tion to make mechanism into its
new God?

BEVERLEY NICHOLS tells How to Give a Party.

MY first and most urgent
piece of advice is—never have
a red carpet. No matter how
many Balkan Royalties you may be
expecting, no matter how wet the
night, or muddy the pavement—
never have a red carpet. It is a
great temptation to your guests.
The colour seems to go to their
heads.

I speak from bitter experience.
When I gave my last party a red
carpet stretched magnificently from
the front door to the gutter. It
was only placed there for its deco-
rative value, because the night was
warm and dry and no Royalties
were expected. (Only entertain
Royalties, in Lent.)

Cause of the Trouble.

Some time after midnight a cer-
tain famous actress, strolled to the
door to obtain a little fresh air, of
which she appeared to be in need.
She observed the carpet and sat
upon it. Instantly four young men
seized the carpet by one end and
dashed it down the street, carrying
the lady with them.

This was too much for the
neighbourhood. All down the
street windows opened and grilles
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WEEK-END DEVELOPMENTS IN SHANGHAI.

CATHAY HOTEL HIT: PEACE PARLEY BREAKS DOWN.

Nanking, Jan. 31, 9.04 a.m.
It is officially reported that there were 1,000 Chinese casualties in the fighting in Chapel, up to Saturday morning.

The 6th regiment of the 78th Division, the 19th (Chitones) army bore the brunt of battle, losing 600 killed. *Reuter.*

Two Theatres Burned, Down
Shanghai, Jan. 31, 9.30 a.m.
Friday's huge conflagration in Chapel had died down after the destruction of over 1,000 houses, a number of warehouses and factories, and doing damage amounting to more than £1,000,000, but another huge block on the North Szechuen Road including the Odeon Cinema, the Kwangtung Theatre and several palatial residences were gutted last night.

Chinese eyewitnesses assert that the fire was started by Japanese marines with kerosene, to which the Japanese Consul General replied: "Should it have been the case it was intended to wipe out snipers who have proved such a deadly menace to our soldiers." *Reuter.*

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 11.54 a.m.
Seventeen airplanes, including six bombers, were circling the Settlement, Chapel and Nantao this morning.

The Japanese located 200 Chinese snipers on the roof of the Ritz Theatre, on Haining Road, a building under construction. Trench mortars were belching there. Japanese marines are bombing in reply.

It is estimated that the damage done by fire amounts to 50,000,000 taels. *Our Own Correspondent.*

PEACE EFFORT FAILS.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 7.48 p.m.
A meeting of the Consular Body and Council delegates with Mayor Wu and Admiral Shio-awa this morning, in Council Chamber, lasting from 10 a.m. to 1.30 p.m., failed to agree to the creation of a neutral zone.

They resumed discussions at 3 p.m., and at 6 p.m. adjourned. I understand that the suggestion was that the Japanese should withdraw, returning to the North Szechuen Road, and the Chinese remain 2,000 metres outside the boundaries. However, no agreement was reached, for the British Consul General, Mr. Brennan, interviewed, stated that the truce stands.

The inmates of the Mental Ward at Hannan Road were evacuated at 6 p.m., and are now accommodated in the gaol in Amoy Road. The Cathedral compound has become a sandbag and barbed-wire dump for internal defence.

The situation is ugly. The fire has reached the Settlement, and is now behind the Mental Ward. *Our Own Correspondent.*

The conference broke up, leaving this ominous truce to continue "until somebody breaks it." *Reuter.*

Garden Bridge Under Fire.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 9.02 p.m.
Snipers have been busy in various parts of the Settlement and French Concession this afternoon.

Many residents in outlying districts who have come in to the Cathay Hotel for safety were startled when a sniper's bullets splattered on the hotel walls this afternoon. However, the Municipal Police have increased their vigilance, and the trouble is not spreading.

A Japanese warship lying in the river off the Bund opened fire with a machine gun upon Garden Bridge, which connects the Hongkew district with the Settlement, on the pretext that the bridge was hiding snipers. The Chinese refugees who were entering the Settlement. *Reuter.*

Casualties.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 9.30 a.m.
Eight Stokes mortar shells, apparently fired by Chinese troops at the North Station, fell into the Settlement yesterday with the result that one Chinese was killed and one Japanese volunteer was wounded, while a Portuguese youth was slightly injured by shrapnel and a dozen people injured by stray bullets. Up to the present there have been no British casualties. *Reuter.*

JAPANESE AT HONGKOW.

Take Over Complete Control of Area.
Shanghai, Jan. 31, 9.40 a.m.
The Japanese have taken over the complete control of the Hongkew area of the International Settlement from Soochow Creek northward. The functions of the municipal police have been largely usurped by Japanese plain clothes "reservists", wearing brassards and armed with revolvers, bayonets, swordsticks, and even tomahawks, who hold up all motor cars, and pedestrians.

A Chinese chauffeur from a garage who was on his way home, and who ran away frightened by the patrol, was shot dead. Several others were killed on the possibility that they might be guilty of sniping. A number were injured. At least two foreigners have been beaten up for interfering against the ill-treatment of Chinese.

Japanese reservist activities are extending westward of Soochow Creek. United States marines have arrested 27 armed Japanese reservists in their sector. Japanese marines have established a sandbag post on Robinson Road, in the Jeesfield area. *Reuter.*

BETTER FOOD REPORT.
Adequate Supplies for Some Time to Come.
Shanghai, Jan. 31, 8.28 p.m.
The Settlement Municipal Council this afternoon decided to enforce curfew between 10 p.m. and 4 a.m. from Monday night.

Emergency committees appointed by the Council report that the Settlement has a good supply of food. Meat supplies are guaranteed for the Chinese in the Settlement for two weeks, and vegetables are still coming in from the country in good quantities, the markets being well supplied.

The Council has an adequate number of volunteers for emergency work. *Reuter.*

JAPANESE WARNING.

Probable Danger to the Settlement.
Tokyo, Jan. 31.
"Unless the Chinese stop their reinforcements or withdraw to a safe distance, not only will the position of the Japanese Marines, but also of the International Settlement itself, be exposed to danger of a very grave nature," solemnly declared Mr. Yoshizawa, when telling foreign correspondents the gist of his conversation with the British, American and French Ambassadors, whom he summoned to the Foreign Office this afternoon for the purpose of removing misapprehensions and misunderstandings, and requesting them to ask their respective governments to take the matter up and use their influence to persuade the Chinese to withdraw. *Reuter.*

Japan would welcome the appointment of a League Commission to investigate Shanghai, as she wants the League to see the true position, declared the Foreign Office spokesman, though he intimated that Japan could not be able to recognise the binding force of the recommendations.

In emphasising the imminent danger, Mr. Yoshizawa declared that the only hope of averting it is that the Chinese will accede to British, American and French joint pressure and withdraw. *Reuter.*

"If the Powers Fail."

Mr. Yoshizawa, who made no attempt to conceal his anxiety, prefaced his warning with a chronological narration of the main developments since January 21, and asserted that both the initial and the subsequent violations of the truce on January 30 were precipitated by the Chinese opening fire.

Stating that the reports indicated that Chiang Kai-shek was concentrating 30,000 troops in the vicinity of Shanghai, had ordered four squadrons of aircraft to proceed to Soochow, and was planning to launch an offensive as soon as reinforcements had arrived, Mr. Yoshizawa declared that Japan was obliged to consider what steps she should take to cope with the emergency. The army would probably be compelled to despatch troops if the Powers fail to induce the Chinese to withdraw, as Japan is not prepared to risk the annihilation of her Marines, he stated. *Reuter.*

PROTEST TO TOKYO.
Ambassador's Note.
London, Jan. 31, 6.54 a.m.
A Foreign Office communiqué states that "Sir Francis Lindley,

MANY INJURED IN STORM.

WOMAN KILLED ON VOYAGE HOME.

Glasgow, Dec. 22.
A story of the heroism of a pantry steward when, in mid-Atlantic, a British liner was swept by a huge wave, which killed a woman passenger and injured 35 others, was told to-day.

The ship, the "Anchor" liner Tuscania, 17,000 tons, and she arrived at Glasgow early this morning from New York 80 hours late, after a buffeting by a violent storm last Wednesday.

The coolness and courage of the crew averted a panic among the 700 passengers, including many women and children.

The passenger killed was Mrs. Sarah Rodgers, aged 55, of Corraghan, Coleraine, Londonderry, Ireland, and seven of the 35 passengers hurt were injured seriously.

Cabins Flooded.
These seven were in the ship's hospital until her arrival in port. The Tuscania left New York on December 12 in fine weather, but after two days ran into storms, and was three times hoisted.

In a violent storm on Wednesday night she was struck by a huge wave, and a torrent swept along the deck and rushed down the alleyways, flooding the passengers' cabins and saloons. In some parts of the vessel the water was waist-deep.

Alarmed passengers scattered for safety, and officers and crew strove to rally their alarm.

Many women fainted. Those injured were rushed to the ship's hospital. The doctors and nursing staff were on duty all night.

Mrs. Rodgers was dashed by the water against the steel wall of an alleyway. She was saved from drowning by the saloon pantry steward, Mr. Thomas Brown, of Glasgow, but died from injuries on Saturday. She had been in frail health.

Steward's Story.
"When the wave broke aboard," said Mr. Brown, "the doors at the rear and of the alleyway burst open and a flood of water came sweeping down with a roar."

"The torrent swept us off our feet, and when I struggled to my feet the water was up to my waist. I heard a scream, and saw Mrs. Rodgers falling over. She was in danger of drowning, and I dashed along the alleyway to her rescue. She was lying half-stranded against the wall, and I dragged her to the companionway and fetched a doctor."

Worst for 20 Years.
A steward in the first-class dining saloon said: "It was the worst experience I have had during my 20 years at sea with the Anchor Line."

Captain Rome, commander of the Tuscania, said: "I don't mind telling you that I had a nasty feeling when the wave burst on board. The women and children were in a state of hysteria. The officers and crew behaved splendidly."

Two concerts were organised, but it was not until morning that calm was really restored. There were many cases of hysteria during the night.

A second woman died on the voyage, but the Anchor Line state that she died from disease, and not from shock. She was Mrs. Aleshire, of Kirkcudbrightshire.

A stowaway named Robert McMahon was to-day fined £7 10s. Mrs. Rodgers was returning home for Christmas after being in the United States for 30 years. The body was landed at Belfast, where the funeral took place yesterday a few miles from where Mrs. Rodgers had hoped to spend Christmas. *Reuter.*

British Ambassador at Tokyo, informed the Japanese Foreign Minister on the 30th inst, that he had received instructions to call his attention to the dangers to which the lives and interests of British subjects were exposed by the recent Japanese action in Shanghai, and to protest against the use of the International Settlement as a base for attack.

"He also requested the Japanese Government to use every endeavour to restore normal conditions at the earliest possible moment."

"The Japanese Foreign Minister assured Sir Francis Lindley that he fully appreciated the anxiety of the British Government and that everything possible would be done not to endanger British lives and property, and that the International Settlement would not be used as a base for attack." *Reuter.*

The Lytton Mission.
Geneva, Jan. 31, 2.29 a.m.
Lord Lytton has proposed that the members of the Manchurian Commission shall use the Trans-Siberian Railway to enable them to reach the Far East from 10 to 14 days earlier than by the Atlantic and Pacific routes. *Reuter.*

LOCAL CRICKET.
CRAIGENGOWER MAKE BOLD BID.
By defeating the Kowloon C. C. on Saturday in the First Division of the League, Craiggower have consolidated their position, and are now favoured for the League Shield. They have played one match more than their rivals, the Indians, who are also in the race; but Craiggower have played the stronger teams up to date, while the Indians have still to meet Kowloon and the Hongkong Club.

FIRST DIVISION.
Craiggower Defeat Kowloon on Home Ground.
On the home ground, the Craiggower C.C. defeated the Kowloon C.C. by three wickets.

W. Hung treated the spectators to a fine display of hurricane hitting, gathering 41 runs in about ten minutes; and then he had the mission of sitting on his wicket. He collected 20 runs in one over from Abbas.

The other batsmen after Hung offered no resistance to the bowling of Omar, who ran through the side, and returned the splendid figures of eight wickets for 31 runs.

Craiggower started badly, and had six wickets down for 67 runs, when Hamson and Abbas pulled the game out of the fire. Hamson returned a catch to Burnett after he had second run. R. Lee was undefeated with 35 runs at the close of play.

SECOND DIVISION.
Kowloon Second Turn Tables on Craiggower Seconds.
Playing on the Kowloon C. C. ground, the Craiggower Juniors were badly defeated by the home team by ten wickets.

Overly was the cause of the collapse of the Craiggower batsmen, bowling splendidly to return the analysis of five wickets for eight runs. Sourbutts alone faced the bowling with confidence, gathering 20 runs. They were all dismissed for 55 runs.

F. S. W. Smith (32) and C. F. Wood (35) enabled the K. C. C. to pass their opponents' total without the loss of a wicket. When time intervened, the K. C. C. had 112 runs for seven wickets.

POKFULUM MATCH.
University Defeated by Recreio.
At Pokfulum, the Club de Recreio defeated the University by 62 runs.

Recreio were in a bad way when seven of their wickets had fallen for only 47 runs, but Figueiredo came to their help with a bright knock for 55 runs, undefeated, and changed the complexion of the game. Recreio eventually totalled 154 runs for nine wickets. F. H. Carvalho was undefeated with 21 runs.

The University batsmen failed against the steady bowling of Pereira, Guterres and Figueiredo, and were all dismissed for 92 runs. P. L. Tan (25 not out) and Yanyaboy (24), however, offered some opposition toward the end.

A DRAWN GAME.
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Pearce and Hancock Trounce Bowlers.
The annual encounter on the Hongkong Club ground between members over thirty and members under thirty ended in a win for the veterans by 29 runs. "Tan" Pearce and R. Hancock trounced the veterans by scoring 32 runs and 41 runs each. "Mr. Extra" yielded 39 runs. The Over Thirties totalled 177 runs. The Under Thirties members managed 148, Richardson getting 57 runs and J. Barrow 26. Mirehouse bowled well to capture seven wickets for 36 runs.

Royal Navy Outplayed.
At King's Park, the University drew with the Royal Navy, time saving the Navy from defeat. The University batsmen took full toll of the bowling and declared with two wickets down for 200 runs. Anderson scored 62; A. M. Rodriguez 50; E. L. Gosano 45 not out and Rido 33 not out. The Navy had 65 runs for nine wickets when time intervened. A Baker took four wickets for 12 runs and Anderson four for 14 runs.

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Playing on the military ground at Sookunpo, the Royal Army Service Corps contested a drawn game with the Indian R. C. second XI. The "The" totalled 163 runs, towards which A. R. H. Esmail contributed 55, A. R. Saffad 29 and A. M. Rumsdell 35 not out. The military side had scored 70 runs for the loss of three wickets when stumps were drawn. Match Postponed.

The League Match between the Indian 1st XI and the Royal Artillery was postponed.

LOCAL CRICKET.

CRAIGENGOWER MAKE BOLD BID.

By defeating the Kowloon C. C. on Saturday in the First Division of the League, Craiggower have consolidated their position, and are now favoured for the League Shield. They have played one match more than their rivals, the Indians, who are also in the race; but Craiggower have played the stronger teams up to date, while the Indians have still to meet Kowloon and the Hongkong Club.

FIRST DIVISION.

Craiggower Defeat Kowloon on Home Ground.
On the home ground, the Craiggower C.C. defeated the Kowloon C.C. by three wickets.

W. Hung treated the spectators to a fine display of hurricane hitting, gathering 41 runs in about ten minutes; and then he had the mission of sitting on his wicket. He collected 20 runs in one over from Abbas.

The other batsmen after Hung offered no resistance to the bowling of Omar, who ran through the side, and returned the splendid figures of eight wickets for 31 runs.

Craiggower started badly, and had six wickets down for 67 runs, when Hamson and Abbas pulled the game out of the fire. Hamson returned a catch to Burnett after he had second run. R. Lee was undefeated with 35 runs at the close of play.

SECOND DIVISION.

Kowloon Second Turn Tables on Craiggower Seconds.
Playing on the Kowloon C. C. ground, the Craiggower Juniors were badly defeated by the home team by ten wickets.

Overly was the cause of the collapse of the Craiggower batsmen, bowling splendidly to return the analysis of five wickets for eight runs. Sourbutts alone faced the bowling with confidence, gathering 20 runs. They were all dismissed for 55 runs.

F. S. W. Smith (32) and C. F. Wood (35) enabled the K. C. C. to pass their opponents' total without the loss of a wicket. When time intervened, the K. C. C. had 112 runs for seven wickets.

POKFULUM MATCH.

University Defeated by Recreio.
At Pokfulum, the Club de Recreio defeated the University by 62 runs.

Recreio were in a bad way when seven of their wickets had fallen for only 47 runs, but Figueiredo came to their help with a bright knock for 55 runs, undefeated, and changed the complexion of the game. Recreio eventually totalled 154 runs for nine wickets. F. H. Carvalho was undefeated with 21 runs.

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The Socialist Party of the State of Brunswick have drawn the attention of the Chancellor to a Nazi Storm Detachment (S.A.) Barracks established at Krenselen in a disused arms factory, from the chimney of which a huge swastika flag is flying.

The factory was bought by the Nazi Party, and the Socialists allege that £3,000 worth of arms were acquired at the same time. The new barracks were dedicated by a Protestant pastor.

The S.A. men appear constantly in uniform in public, though the emergency decree of December 8 forbids the wearing of political uniforms. About 150 men from all parts of Germany are said to be concentrated at Krenselen, and constantly trained in manoeuvres. They are accused of adopting a highly provocative attitude to the local workmen.

It will be remembered that the Brunswick police depend for their orders upon a Nazi Minister of the Interior.

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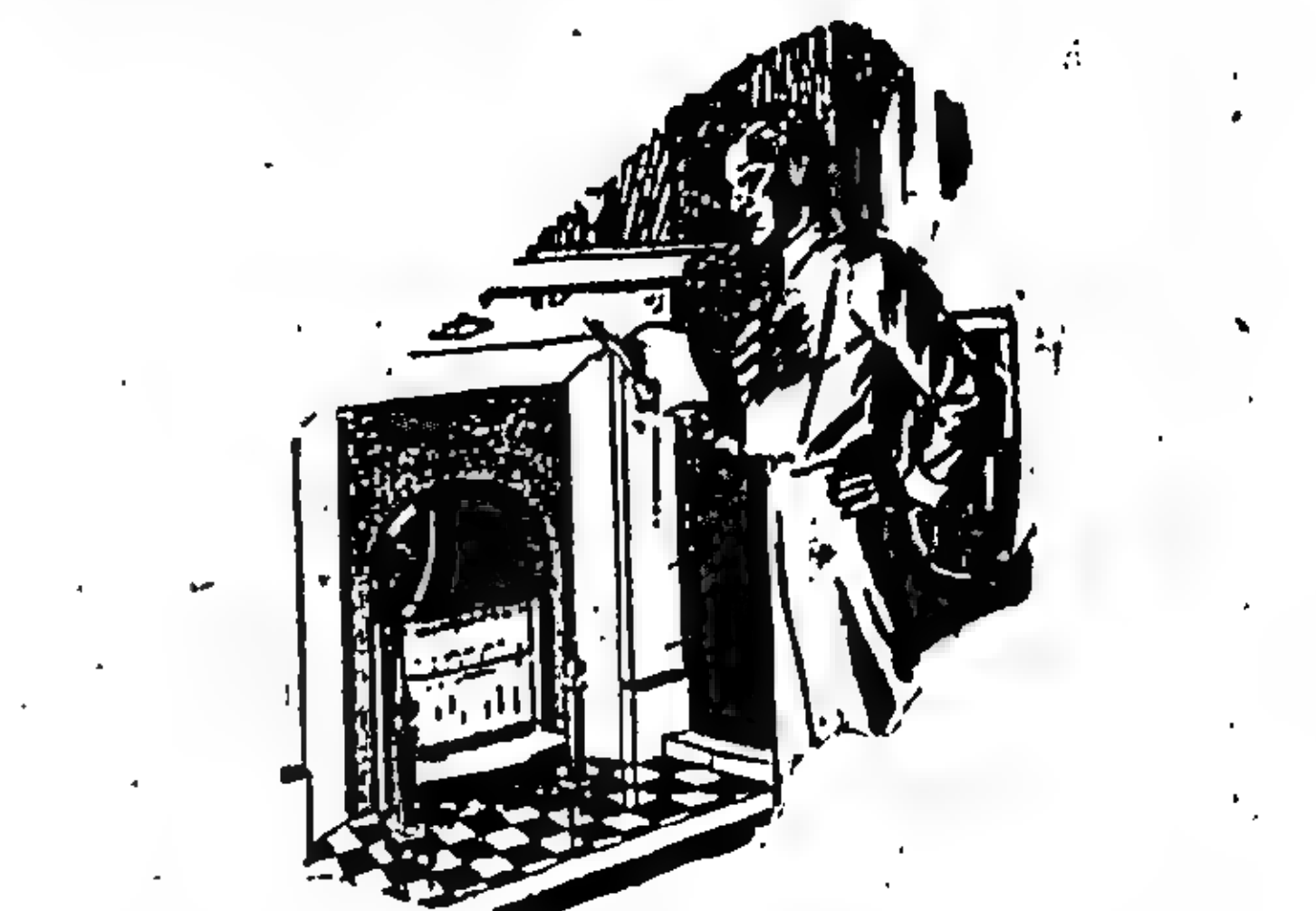
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CARNIVAL DANCE.

ENJOYABLE NIGHT AT PENINSULA.

The Youth's Frolic Dance, held at the Peninsula Hotel on Saturday last, might be considered one of the best successes of the season. The room was filled to capacity, and radiated a joyful atmosphere seldom found at carnival balls.

The races provided the greatest thrills and fun. The egg and spoon competition was won by Miss Focken, the sack jumping race by Lt. Keith Murray, and the balloon dance by Mr. Beatty. Lt. and Mrs. Pyeatt. Appreciated prizes were distributed to the respective winners.

Altogether it was a very enjoyable evening, which it is hoped the management of the Peninsula Hotel will not be late in repeating.

Among those present were noticed—Capt. and Mrs. Mohr, Capt. and Mrs. Dunlop, Capt. B. M. Ede, Mrs. Powys Maurice, Comd. and Mrs. Majendie, Mr. and Mrs. Bourne, Miss Focken, Capt. Wallace, Lt. Church, Lt. Graham, Lt. Keith-Murray, Mr. Shrubsole, Mrs. Haygood, Mr. and Mrs. Griffiths, Mr. I. D. Lenox, Miss Hynes, Mr. Morris Stranack, Mrs. Gibb, Miss J. Stranack, Lt. S.A.M. Else R.N., Lt. C. Price, R.N., Mr. E. Matthew, Mr. and Mrs. Pyeatt, Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. Beatty, Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Newman, Mr. Robinson, Mr. Stone, Mr. and Mrs. Hall, Gen. M. A. Cohen, Lt. and Mrs. Frost, Mr. and Mrs. Wilkinson, Mr. W. C. Kelly, Mr. H. C. Pomeroy, Mr. Gough, Miss Kelly, Lt. Comd. and Mrs. Allison, Mr. and Mrs. Simonetta, Mr. and Mrs. Schroeder, and many others.

GOVERNMENT HOUSE.

Sunday, January 24.—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel paid an informal visit to the child welfare centre maintained by the St. John Ambulance Brigade at Kam Tin in the New Territories.

His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel gave a small luncheon party at the Hunters' Arms, Fanning, and afterwards attended the race meeting at Kwant.

Monday, January 25.—His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by the Hon. Dr. Wellington, inspected the Young Wo Hospital, where he was received by Dr. Lee Shu Fan and his fellow Directors.

Tuesday, January 26.—His Excellency the Governor carried out the Annual Inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, on the South China Athletic Association ground at Soekunpo, and presented the trophies.

Lady Peel also attended the parade. Wednesday, January 27.—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel, accompanied by the Hon. Mr. B. T. Cressy, D. P. W., made a tour of inspection of the new Shing Mun water scheme.

Lady Peel attended the Annual Speech Day at St. Stephen's Girls' College, and presented the prizes.

Thursday, January 28.—His Excellency the Governor presided at the meeting of the Executive and Legislative Councils.

His Excellency the Governor, accompanied by Mr. G. W. A. Telford, Private Secretary, dined with Lt. C. C. Bennett and Officers, 83rd Highlanders, at Shamshuipo.

Lady Peel gave a small dinner party at Government House.

Friday, January 29.—The Hon. Mr. Hallifax and Sir Robert Ho Tung had an interview with His Excellency the Governor, with reference to the proposed infant welfare scheme in the New Territories.

Saturday, January 30.—His Excellency the Governor and Lady Peel attended the Annual Dance of the Machine Gun Company, Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps.

JAPAN'S MOVE ON HARBIN.

A CLASH WITH OLD REGIME TROOPS.

Shanghai, Jan. 31, 4 p.m.
A Japanese force clashed with Ting Chao's troops in the neighbourhood of Harbin at dawn this morning and suffered a loss of 21 Japanese killed and 38 wounded.

It is learned that the transportation of Japanese troops to Harbin was finally facilitated as the result of the Soviet agreeing to the use of the southern section of the Chinese Eastern Railway, according to despatches from Mukden.—*Reuter*.

Other reports say that Japanese aeroplanes dropped bombs on Harbin on Saturday.

LOSS OF THE M2.

VESSEL "MUST BE FOUND."

London, Jan. 31.

"The submarine M2 must be found at all costs" is the latest Admiralty instruction concerning the search for the sunken vessel.

Every square mile of West Bay, Portsmouth, has been dragged for obstructions and the number of those found have been marked and will be investigated.—*Reuter's Special Service*.

The British submarine Rainbow which went aground on the Isle of Wight last week was refloated with high tide. The ship suffered no serious damage.

HARMSTON'S CIRCUS SUCCESS.

NEW PROGRAMME TO BE PUT ON TO-NIGHT.

A visit to Harmston's circus, which is operating on the old Wee Golf course beside the Peninsula Hotel, shows at once why such large and enthusiastic crowds have thronged the big tent night after night. The excellence of the entertainment offered, combining all the best numbers of the "sawdust ring," would draw such crowds anywhere, and the popular support which was forthcoming on the opening night has been maintained to an extraordinary degree.

Last night there was hardly a seat to spare and this, in spite of the fact that the same programme has been running since the commencement, a week ago. Last night's show wound up the first programme presented, and there will be a change to-night which looks, from an advance programme, if anything, better than that already given.

There was not a dull moment from the beginning until the end last night and the talented entertainers were warmly applauded for their efforts, which both pleased and thrilled their audience.

Similar success greeted the matinee given on Saturday afternoon, when there was only standing room left, and not much of that, before the show started. A large proportion of the audience were children who gave every evidence of thoroughly enjoying themselves.

New Programme.

The new programme, in which Little Peter will do his special riding features, is appended, but is subject to slight alterations. Overture ... By the Circus Band
Vaulting ... Miss Moskovitch
Wire Juggling ... O. Delroy
High School ... W. Harmston
Trapeze ... Miss Moskovitch
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Entrée Comic ... Little Peter
Double Jockey ... Bill and Chocolate
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Overture ... By the Circus Band
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Trick Cyclists, Delroy, Kitty & Charlie.
Two Horses, Introduced by H. Harmston.
Ladders ... By the Ladies & Gentlemen
2 Elephants & 2 Ponies.
Introduced by H. Harmston
Comic Entrée ... Little Peter & Tony
Our Pets from the Jungle.
Introduced by A. Turkey.

The night shows start at 9.15 and matinees will be given during the Chinese New Year holidays, commencing on February 6 (Saturday).—B. B.

DEVELOPMENT OF CAN INDUSTRY.

OPENING OF NEW FACTORY -AT KENNEDY TOWN.

With the object of developing the tin-can-making trade in South China, the newly established China Can Company Limited, officially opened their new factory at No. 2, Davis Street, Kennedy Town, on Saturday afternoon. There was a large attendance.

The factory is a large establishment wherein special attention has been paid to the welfare of those employed. In time it is anticipated that a school and hospital for the benefit of the workers will be founded.

Throughout, the machinery is of modern type and is capable of a very large output. It is based on the experience of Mr. Yuen, who has spent six years in travelling all over China making a study of the conditions generally and paying particular attention to the can manufacturing business.

The Hon. Mr. T. N. Chau performed the opening ceremony, when he expressed thanks to the Directors of the Company for their hearty welcome and for the excellent entertainment, on behalf of the visitors.

An interesting talk in Chinese was delivered by Mr. Yip King-fan, Chairman of the Board of Directors, who also thanked the guests for their attendance, and afterwards a short address was delivered by the manager, Mr. John W. Y. Yuen, when he stated it was his ambition that the factory should be conducted on the lines of a family house, with all the employees as members of a big happy family.

The factory will turn out containers of all sorts, also signboards, crown corks, toys, tin novelties, etc.

BRITISH TARIFFS.

PROPOSED FOREIGN TEA TAX.

London, Jan. 30.
The suggestion that Government re-impose a duty on foreign tea, at the same time guaranteeing Empire-grown tea by a minimum preference to encourage development of tea production within the Empire, is contained in a letter of the British Empire Producers' Organisation to Mr. Neville Chamberlain.

The letter says that the incursion of low-grade Java tea has struck a very severe blow to an Empire industry.

The case for restoration of duty was made out by tea-growers in Ceylon, India, Kenya, Nyasaland, South Africa, Tanganyika, and other Empire countries.—*Reuter*.

Prosperity Ahead.

London, Jan. 31.
The improving trade outlook which has been the marked feature of the speeches of the chairmen of Britain's big five banks has been borne out by the extraordinary volume of business now being transacted by the majority of the banks in London.

The extra business is so considerable that it is causing bank clerks considerable discomfort, as they are forced to work longer hours.

Bank officials say that this is a regular sign that trade is on the up grade and that the prospect of prosperous times is ahead.—*Reuter's Special Service*.

CHILDREN'S PARTY.

ENJOYABLE EVENING AT DOCKYARD.

The children of members of the Dockyard Recreation Club spent an enjoyable afternoon on Saturday at a Children's Winter Party held in the Sail Loft of the Dockyard, which was decorated for the occasion with flags and bunting and brilliantly lighted.

Games of all kinds, organised by Mr. S. C. Robinson, ably assisted by Messrs. Ursell, Hickey, Bell and Hutley, kept the gathering in good humour, and provided the children with excellent fun. A Chinese Punch and Judy Show also attracted a good deal of attention.

An event which was very much enjoyed was the Farmyard story told by Mr. Robinson, and in which the children, who had been assigned the names of different animals, had to make the noise peculiar to each animal.

Tea was served during the afternoon, and was enjoyed by both the kiddies and adults. After that Mrs. Walker, wife of the commodore, presented each child with a small present.

At 9 p.m. a dance was held in the Sail Loft for grown-ups, and a merry time was spent to the jazz band of H.M.S. Cumberland.

LESSON SERMON.

FIRST CHURCH OF CHRIST, SCIENTIST, HONGKONG.

"Love" was the subject of the Lesson-Sermon in all Churches of Christ, Scientist, yesterday.

The Golden Text was—"Be perfect, be of good comfort, be of one mind, live in peace; and the God of love and peace shall be with you." (II Cor. 13; 11.)

Among the citations which comprised the Lesson-Sermon was the following from the Bible—"Beloved, let us love one another; for love is of God; and every one that loveth is born of God, and knoweth God. He that loveth not knoweth not God; for God is love." (I John 4; 7, 8.)

The Lesson-Sermon also included the following passage from the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health, with Key to the Scriptures," by Mary Baker Eddy—"People go into ecstasies over the sense of a corporeal Jehovah, though with scarcely a spark of love in their hearts, yet God is Love, and without Love, God, immortality cannot appear. Mortals believe in a finite personal God; while God is infinite Love, which must be unlimited. (p. 312.)

IRISH FREE STATE.

PARLIAMENT DISSOLVED FOR ELECTION.

Dublin, Jan. 30.
The Dail Eireann, the Irish Free State Parliament, was dissolved by proclamation to-day. A General Election will be held. Nomination day has been fixed for February 8, and polling will take place on February 16.—*Reuter*.

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POSTPONEMENT PROBABLE FOR FEW DAYS.

Geneva, Jan. 30.
Mr. Arthur Henderson looking
ill, in spite of his recent illness,
arrived here to-day to preside at
the Disarmament Conference to be
held on February 2.His speech, during the opening
Conference on Tuesday, will be
broadcast all over Britain.
Mr. Henderson was invited to
preside at the Conference, when he
was Foreign Secretary in Britain's
last Labour Government. When he
resigned office it was expected he
would decline the invitation, but
that has not been the case. He is
now not even a member of the
British Parliament.

Postponement Discussed.

Geneva, Jan. 30.
International representatives are
discussing the question of post-
poning the Disarmament Confer-
ence after Mr. Henderson's open-
ing speech in order to give the
League Council a few more days
in which to deal with the Far East
situation.—Reuter.

GEMS OF PERIL.

(Continued from Page 3.)

For two hours she laboured over
the heap of paper scraps, fitting
them together expertly, until she
had the finished poster. It was al-
most impossible to gain a clear idea
of the man's looks until another
hour's labour had succeeded in past-
ing the scraps in place. But be-
yond a doubt it was De Loma—a
younger De Loma, almost a boy, in
fact. The same thin, hawk-like
face, the bendy black eyes, the ar-
rogant head. He wore a white shirt
open at the neck, and white trou-
sers curiously clipped in at the
ankles, as if for bicycle riding, and
what appeared to be a pair of old
tennis shoes. The curiousness of
this get-up was heightened by his
pose—arms folded across the chest,
the feet at right angles in the "first
position" of the ballet dancer.[The case referred to is that in
which Mrs. Fortescue, Lieutenant
Masse and two others were charged
with the murder of an Hawaiian,
said to be the ringleader of a gang
of toughs and who was accused of
an outrage on Mrs. Masse. The
dead man was tried on the charge
but acquitted, and the defendants
in the present case are alleged to
have taken the law into their own
hands.]Night had settled down as she
joined the rest of the party,
grouped on the main deck just for-
ward of Mr. Jupiter's cabin. A
half mile or so to the east, gleam-
ing ghostly clear in the moonlight,
the prison rose abruptly out of the
sea. A gold moon swam in the
deep blue tropical sky. The whole
scene was like a vivid lithograph or
a highly coloured postcard picture.Louise was talking as Mary joined
the group, describing an old
castle she had visited the year be-
fore. "It had the most marvellous
stained glass windows, made in
Italy by the monks during the
Renaissance and transported over
the mountains on donkeys. I re-
member particularly a deep crim-
son—the glass was so finely
coloured it looked like precious
stone."She turned to Mary.
"What reminded me of it were
your rubies. What have you done
with them? Do you have them on
the yacht? I should love just to
look at them again.""I have them here," Mr. Jupiter
spoke up before Mary could de-
cide what answer to make to this

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HAWAIIAN MURDER.

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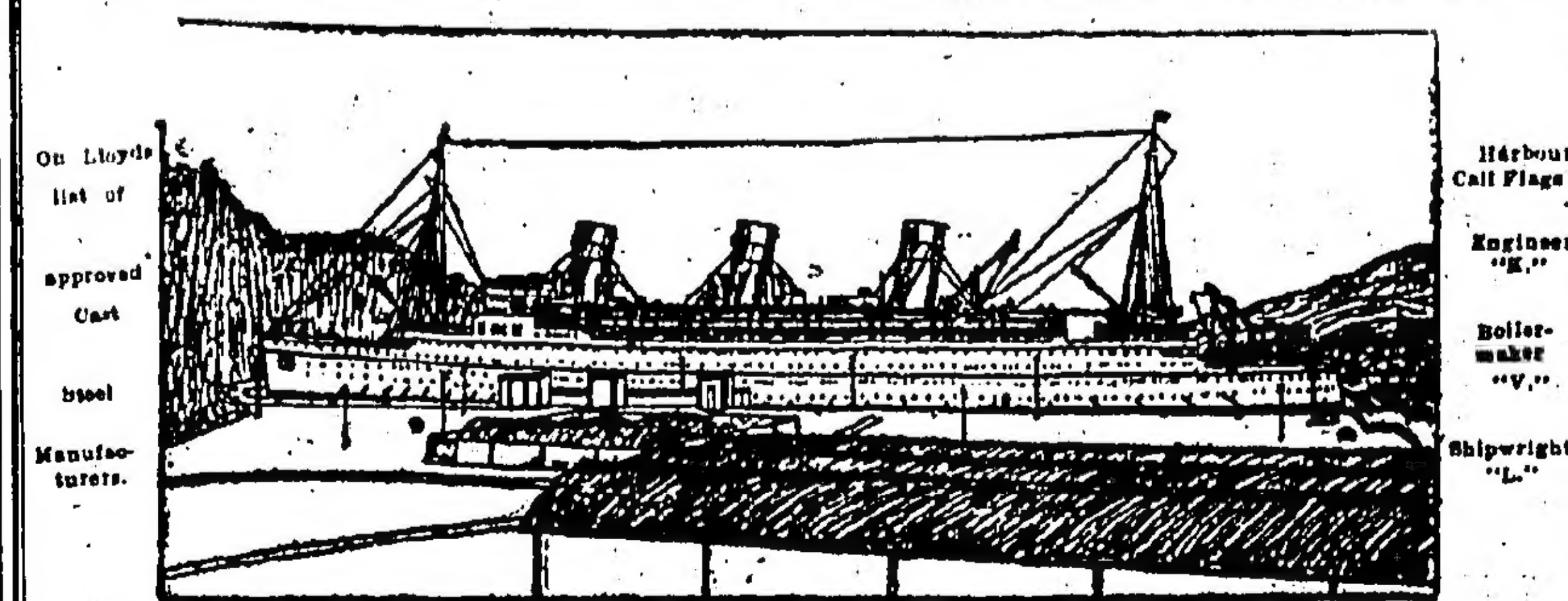
Honolulu, Jan. 30.

An arrangement, approved of by
the United States' Secretary of
State, has been reached whereby
the prisoners in the Kahahawai
murder trial will be released on pro-
bation and under the supervision
of Admiral Sterling, but, at the
same time, remaining within the
jurisdiction of the court.Bail for Mrs. Fortescue has been
fixed at \$5,000, and for the other
prisoners at \$2,500.The prisoners were handed over
to the police last night, pending
settlement of details.—Reuter.[The case referred to is that in
which Mrs. Fortescue, Lieutenant
Masse and two others were charged
with the murder of an Hawaiian,
said to be the ringleader of a gang
of toughs and who was accused of
an outrage on Mrs. Masse. The
dead man was tried on the charge
but acquitted, and the defendants
in the present case are alleged to
have taken the law into their own
hands.]amazing request. He reached into
the pocket of his dinner jacket and
pulled them out, holding them up
to the eyes of the others. There
were several sharply drawn breaths
at the unexpected glory of the
stones."Try 'em on, Mary, do," he
urged. "It's a sight worth seeing,"
he told the others with naive pride.
He rose and laid them in her
hands. Fumbling with nervousness,
Mary reached up to fasten them
about her neck, but they slipped
from her fingers. She made a fran-
tic grab for them, but only suc-
ceeded in striking them with her
hand. They fell flashing into the
sea."You fool!" Oh, you fool!" De
Loma screamed at her instantly.
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These two planes, together with
another, which now stands in its
hanger at Wuchow, were purchased
by the Kwangsi authorities for
use in this province. The planes
were piloted on their trip up the
West River to Nanning by foreign
navigators. It is said that a
training school for aviators will
be established at Nanning, and
later at Kweilin and Wuchow.
The entry of this province into
the field of aeronautics is being
watched with keen interest by all
those who are interested in the
new venture.
During the presence of the
planes, and particularly while

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Picture shows the Garden Bridge, on the Shanghai Bund, which came under fire from a Japanese warship during the week-end, on the pretext that the Bridge was hiding snipers. In the background is seen the Astor House Hotel, which was the scene of sniping last night.

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ORDERS FOR THE CURRENT WEEK.

Police Reserve Orders by the Hon.
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and Regulations). There will be no
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day, February 2nd.
Defendu Class.—There will be no
defendu class on Wednesday, February
3rd.
Training Course—Part 1.—There
will be no Part 1 of Training Course
on Thursday, February 4th.
N. C. O. Class.—There will be no
N. C. O. class on Friday, February
5th.

Flying Squad.

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strength of the Flying Squad and
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D.S.P. (R).

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BOARDING HOUSE LOSS.

An ingenious theft was detailed
by Inspector Shaffain when pro-
secuting a Chinese before Mr. E.
L. Wynne-Jones at the Central
Police Court this morning on a
charge of stealing a blanket.
valued at \$30, from the Sun Tung
Boarding House of Connaught
Road, Central.
The police officer said that the
defendant went to the boarding
house to engage a room for which
he was asked \$2.50 per day. He
replied that he had just arrived
from Canton and had nothing but
Chinese money in his possession.
The defendant had two baskets
which bore red labels and other
indications that the owner was a
traveller. The room was reserved
on the defendant remarking
that he would change his
money and pay the boarding house
later.
After being shown to the room,
the defendant went out, taking
with him one of his baskets, but
a sooner had he left the premises
than one of the foks discovered
that a blanket was missing from
the room. The defendant was
stopped a short distance from the
boarding house, and the blanket
was found in the basket.
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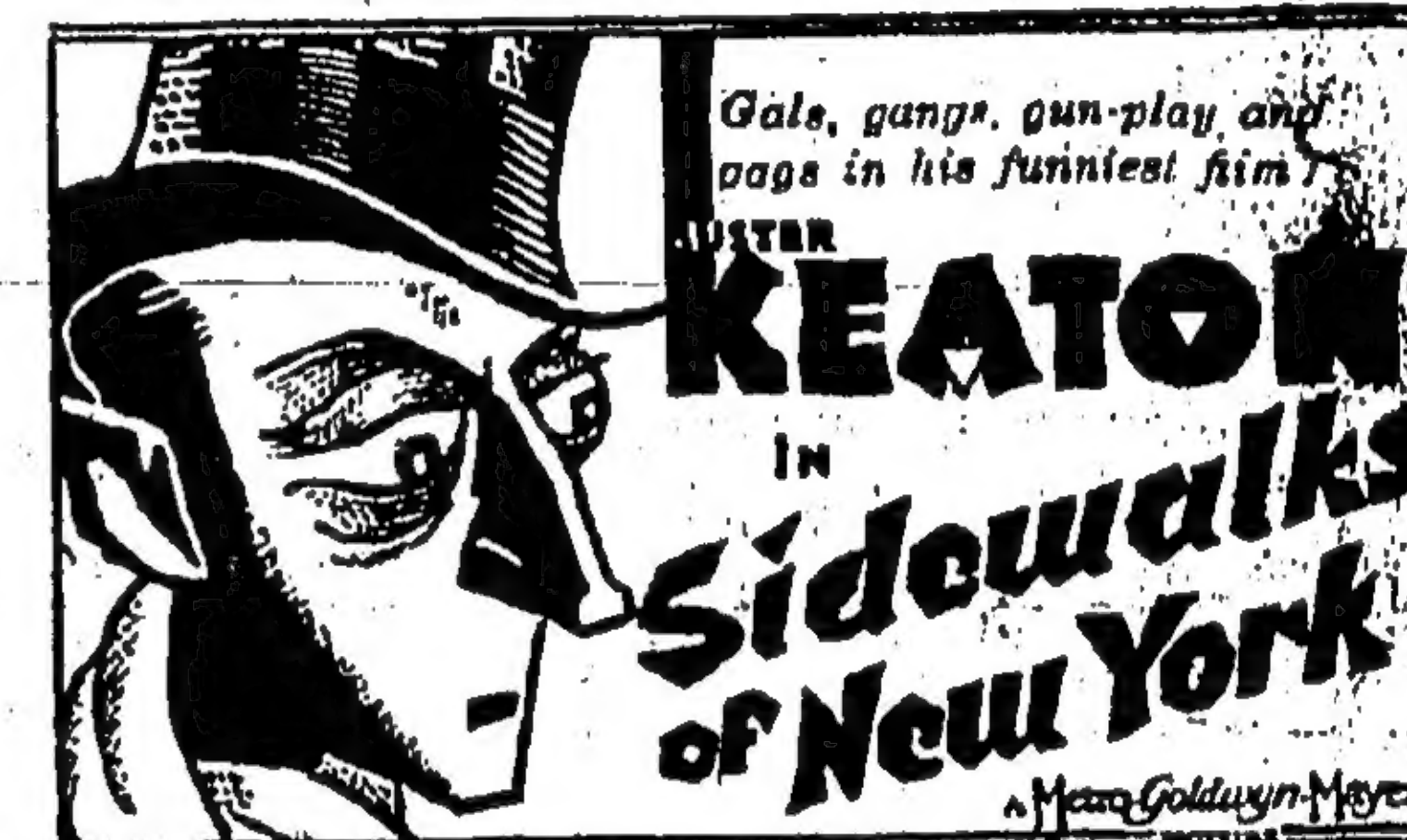
**MARIE
DRESSLER
POLLY
MORAN**

They give you the grandest
laugh for your money
you've ever had!

Marie enters the political
game, and how she makes
the gratters run! A roll!

**in
POLITICS**
A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture

NEXT ATTRACTION



Gale, gangs, gun-play and
pags in his funniest film!

**BUSTER
KEATON**
in
**"Sidewalks
of New York"**
A Metro-Goldwyn-Mayer picture

AT THE **STAR** TO-DAY & TO-MORROW
at 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20
The BRITISH THRILLER
"HOUSE OF THE ARROW"
with NEILSON TERRY—BENITA HUME.

MAJESTIC

TO-DAY ONLY 2.30, 5.20, 7.20 & 9.20 p.m.

A powerful picture with the perfect pair

DADDY LONG LEGS

If you have a heart—be prepared to
have it... THRILLED!

with
**JANET
GAYNOR**
and
**WARNER
BAXTER**
Una Merkel
from the play by Jean Webster
Directed by Alfred Santoli

HONGKONG 10 A.M. 9 P.M.

AQUARIUM

OPEN DAILY 2 DOORS FROM WHITEAWAYS OPEN DAILY

The Royal Observatory reports
that the anticyclone is central
N.E. of Vladivostok, moving
east. The depression south of
Shanghai has filled up. The local
forecast is:—N.E. winds, moder-
ate; fair.

Five men were brought before Mr.
Fraser at the Kowloon Magistracy
this morning on charges of disorderly
conduct and assault on two separate
occasions, January 12 and 20, respec-
tively. Inspector J. Murphy, who
presented, applied for a warrant
remand, which was granted.